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Dutch To Go Ahead With Round Table Conference

SESSION MAY PROCEED EVEN WITHOUT REPUBLICAN PARTICIPATION

Entire Netherlands Cabinet To Form Delegation

THE HAGUE, Mar. 1 (P.T.I.-Reuter): The full Dutch Cabinet will form the Netherlands delegation to the forthcoming Round Table Conference on Indonesia due to start here on March 12, it was learned here today.

The Netherlands Government has called the conference to speed up establishment of a Netherlands-Indonesian Union with a representative Government originally planned for July 1950.

REPUBLICAN PARTICIPATION NOT MENTIONED

A BATAVIA, message adds:

The Conference will take place even without Republican participation, Dr. Louis Beel, Dutch Commissioner in Indonesia stated today.

The Republicans have not yet replied to the invitation to attend the conference at The Hague on March 12, Dr. Beel added.

He said that Dr. P. Koets, his Chief of Cabinet, had reported today on returning to Batavia, that his talks with the Republican Leaders on Banka Island off Sumatra had "not been satisfactory".

At the request of the Republican leaders no further information would be given at this stage, Dr. Beel said. The freeing of the Republican leaders had no connection with their acceptance or rejection of the invitation to the Round Table Conference, he said.

The Federalist Leaders and the Provisional Federal Government (the present Central Administration of Indonesia) have accepted the Dutch invitation.

The Contact Committee of the Federalists Convention will be flying to Banka Island tomorrow for talks with President Soekarno and other Republican leaders.

Seven Federalists and fourteen Republicans are to take part in these discussions.

POSTPONEMENT ONLY FOR VALID REASONS

Dr. Beel declared that the Netherlands Government would be prepared to postpone The Hague Conference beyond the scheduled date, but only for reasons which were really valid.

"It is the intention of the Netherlands Government to transfer full and complete sovereignty to the United States of Indonesia which will be a federal, democratic state in every respect, but one condition will be that the constitution of the future United States of Indonesia should be in conformity with the statute proposed for the Netherlands Indonesian Union," he said.

"As far as the Union is concerned it will be a question to be worked out during the conference".

"It is intended that the Union should be something that can grow. The transfer of sovereignty will be made without any reservations," Dr Beel said.

"It is not the intention of the Netherlands Government to retain any reserved powers after the transfer of sovereignty."

Dr. Beel rejected the suggestion that accelerated transfer of sovereignty to Indonesia might be followed by chaos.

The Netherlands Government would remain responsible for the maintenance of law and order in Indonesia until the sovereignty was transferred and in the meantimee it was hoped that necessary steps would be taken to end the present guerilla activity", Dr. Beel said.

He added: "There is complete agreement between the Netherlands and the Security Council as regards the aims of both bodies. The question only is to find a way by which those aims can be reacheed as quickly and efficiently as possible.

Dr. Beel said the United States of Indonesia would be "just as sovereign as the Netherlands" after the transfer of sovereignty.

Responsibility for the maintenance of law and order would rest with the United States of Indonesia from the moment of the transfer of sovereignty.

Of India's ban on landing facilities for Dutch planes, Dr. Beel said: "I think India will revise its illegal decision, otherwise we shall continue to fly by way of the Mauritius".

TRANSJORDAN—ISRAEL PEACE TALKS

AMMAN, March 1, (PTI-Reuter): Transjordan due to begin peace talks with Israel at Rhodes today, has sent "adequate frontier garrisoning forces" to the Palestine frontier after an encounter between the Arab Legion and a Jewish reconnaissance force, it was authoritatively stated here.

25 SEATS FOR BARODA IN BOMBAY ASSEMBLY

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD Feb. 28:

It is learnt that after the merger of Baroda with the Bombay Province from 1st May, the Bombay Government have decided to give 25 seats to the Baroda State in the Bombay Legislative Assembly.

KOLHAPUR RULER'S PRIVY PURSE

Fixed At Rs 10 Lakhs Per Year

KOLHAPUR, March 1 (API): The privy purse of the Maharajah of Kolhapur has been fixed at Rs. ten lakhs a year. He will also own some of the palaces and private property said Mr. V. P. Menon, Political Advisor to the Ministry of States, Government of India, in an interview today.

Of the 52,000 acres of "Sheri Land" it has been agreed that the Maharajah should get 10,000 acres, he added.

Mr. Menon said with the merger of Baroda by May this year the province of Bombay would be "unique and complete and a great Indian province".

Referring to Bhopal, Mr. Menon indicated that a satisfactory decision would be found by the middle of March. He also revealed that he was undertaking a tour of the few remaining states like Travancore, Cochin, Tripura, Manipur, Rampur, Benaras and Bhopal.

(FOR OTHER DETAILS, SEE) PAGE 4)

GALES HIT BRITAIN AND W. EUROPE

LONDON, March 1. (PTI-Reuter): The 1,990-ton Polish freighter "Katowice" broke up and sank while at least four other ships sent out distress signals and several people were killed today as gales and storms lashed Britain and Western Europe.

Reports from Telschelling, Holland said all the 269 crew were later brought safely ashore by a Dutch lifeboat.

Seven ships broke from their moorings in Rotterdam harbour and one vessel was torn loose in Amsterdam.

The gales ripped off roof tiles, uprooted trees and smashed windows and sheds in most parts of Holland and Belgium. In Western Germany at least four people were killed and many more injured in 70 miles an—hour gales which blocked roads with fallen trees and collapsed buildings. The Berlin airlift came to a halt when four inches of snow covered the runway of all the city's airports.

BEGUM AZAD WING FOR KAMALA NEHRU HOSPITAL

ALLAHABAD, March 1 (API): Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, the Governor-General of India opened the new Begum Azad Wing in the Kamala Nehru Memorial Hospital this evening in the presence of a large and distinguished gathering.

The Begum Azad Wing which is in memory of the deceased wife of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Education Minister of India, will accommodate the out-Patients Department, the X-Ray and Pathological Laboratory of the Hospital.

Mr. Rajagopalachari who was taken round the hospital by the Superintendent of the Hospital evinced keen interest in the development of the hospital and freely chatted with some of the indoor patients in the general ward.

FINANCING INDIA'S PROJECTS

World Bank Mission To Discuss Issue In America

NEW DELHI, March 1 (UPI): Mr. A. S. G. Hoar, Leader of the World Bank Mission to India, said in New Delhi, this evening, that the World Bank was extremely interested in Asia and that it hoped to play its role in the development of the Asian countries.

Mr. Hoar, who was speaking at a meeting of the Indian Council of World Affairs, stated that the Bank had no special considerations against Asia, if there were any considerations at all, they were on the contrary, in her favour.

He further said that Mission had been in India for the last six weeks and had had negotiations with the Government of India. They had toured the country rather extensively and had formed a vivid impression as to what the problems before the Government of India were and how the Government were trying to solve them. He added that soon he would be returning to America where the question of financing the projects of India would be discussed.

Continuing Mr. Hoar said that before advancing the loan, the World Bank had to make a thorough survey of not only the project for which the loan was to be advanced, but also of the overall economic and financial resources of the country. No loan, he added, was advanced until it was assured that the project was feasible technically and justified financially and economically.

NO PROVISION TO CURTAIL EXPENSES

Indian Chambers Of Commerce Executive On Budget Proposals

NEW DELHI, March 1. (A.P.I.): The Committee of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry met here today under the Chairmanship of Mr. Laiji Mehrotra, President of the Federation, to consider the budget proposals of the Government of India for the year 1949-50 in a statement conveying their views thereon it says: "While the Committee are generally in agreement with the review of the economic and financial condition in the country made in the budget and approve of the approach which the Finance Minister has adopted in dealing with the situation, they express their sense of disappointment that he has made no provision for curtailment of expenditure, particularly on the civil administration.

The statement continues:—

"The Committee fully share the Government's anxiety both in respect of the food situation and its serious repercussion on the foreign exchange resources of India. It is, however, the definite opinion of the Committee that the procurement agencies could be tightened up and more efficiently administered, even at the risk of incurring some unpopularity, and a considerable reduction in the imports from abroad could be effected. The Committee would, therefore, most emphatically impress upon Government the necessity to strengthen the organisation in the provinces for the procurement of foodgrains. There is no definite indication yet as to what steps, apart from imports, Government are taking to meet the immediate necessities of the food situation in the country, as the Committee feel that besides the long-term projects, which may take years to materialise, the country needs to be satisfied that Government are energetically pursuing short-term measures to increase domestic production. As a matter of fact, the Committee feel that Government would be well-advised in concentrating immediately on short-term measures, which may, at least to some extent, relieve the existing food scarcity.

The position outlined by the Finance Minister regarding both the dollar and sterling resources is rather disconcerting, says the statement, and the Committee trust that Government will vigilantly watch the situation and promptly take such steps as may be deemed necessary to conserve these resources for the maximum productive purposes.

"The Committee are not satisfied with Government's proposals for increasing the postal rate both on the envelope and the postcard, as the average citizen availing himself of those facilities is not affected by the possibly increased expeditious deliveries of the postal airmails. The Committee feel that Government should retain the existing airmail surcharge and if necessary even increase it".

Durban Riots Enquiry

DURBAN, March 1 (PTI-Reuter): Harrbersad Bajrangee Maharaj an Indian building contractor and school teacher, giving evidence before the Riots Commission today ascribed the riots to a "spread of anti-Indian feeling in the country" due, he said, to two agents—" the press and irresponsible Europeans." The Commission adjourned until tomorrow.

Indian Delegate To FAO At U. S. Farm



Sir Datar Singh, an Indian delegate to the Fourth Annual Conference of the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization, held in Washington, recently visited the Thrasher farm at Jefferson, Maryland, while on a tour of agricultural research centres and farms in the vicinity of Washington, D.C. This farm was recently modernized in one day by 500 farmers of the area and other volunteers who used 150 modern agricultural machines. Photo shows Sir Datar Singh discussing farm problems with a dairyman at the Thrasher farm.—USIS.

'NO CREATION OF A BURMA IN INDIA'

Jaiprakash Denounces 'Reds' Destructive Policy

COMMUNIST AGENTS TAMPER WITH U. P. PREMIER'S BUDGET SPEECH

PATNA, March 1, (API): Addressing a public meeting at Jharia, Mr. Jai Prakash Narain, the Socialist leader, denounced the methods employed by the Communists, in India, and their destructive policy.

INSPIRATION FROM RUSSIA

"We cannot afford to create a Burma in India", said the Socialist leader, and that was what the Communists were trying to do. The Communists were drawing their inspiration from Russia. After describing their past activities in the country, he deplored the course they had been adopting.

At the same time, Mr. Narain mentioned that Congressmen had deteriorated, for in the name of Mahatma Gandhi they were doing many things which he would have disapproved had he been alive today. He did not know when would "bribery and corruption in the administrations end."

Mr. Narain criticised the latest measures of the Government to stop strikes in essential services and said that they were not consistent with democracy.

He complained that employment exchanges were being used against Labour for breaking strikes.

JUXTAPOSITION OF FIGURES IN U.P. BUDGET

LUCKNOW, March 1, (API): Finance Department officials here said to-day they suspected "a deliberate attempt by Communist agents" at tampering with the U.P. Premier's budget speech while it was in the Press.

The Premier's speech, as printed, provides the patwaries who engage themselves in cultivation with the permission of sub-divisional offices with a revised dearness allowance of Rs. 21 per month, but the Government had sanctioned only Rs. 12, they said.

They were emphatic that the juxtaposition of the figures could not be ascribed to any typographical error. The Government, therefore, was instituting an inquiry into the matter.

STRIKE SITUATION IN KOLAR GOLD FIELDS

BANGALORE, March, 1, (API): The strike position in the Kolar Gold Fields is easing and according to latest reports, miners have begun to come back for work.

There was some activity to-day in the Mysore Mines and Champion Reef Mines. Attendance in the other two mines, Nundydroog and Oorgaum, was not in sufficient strength.

MORALE OF HYDERABAD 'REDS' SHAKING

HYDERABAD (Dn), March 1, (API): A report from the Civil Administrator of Warangal states tha no incidents of Communist violenc were reported from any of the Talukas in the district during the week ended February 26.

"The morale of the Communists is at a low EBB," adds the report.

It is claimed that some of the active Communist workers are surrendering to the police and military, and from information gathered from them a big haul of arms was made from the caves and houses during the week and the Communists are being rounded up in large numbers, the report concludes.

DUM DUM OUTRAGE ECHO

Sixty Arrested So Far

CALCUTTA, March 1 (API): Two more persons, connected with Saturday's armed raids in the Dum Dum and Basirhat areas were arrested today. The arrests were made at a place six miles from Basirhat, down the river Ichamati dividing West Bengal from Eastern Pakistan.

Thirtyone other persons were also arrested in this connection by the Calcutta and 24 Parganas police in the course of the day, bringing the total number of such arrests so far to 60.

Unofficial sources here indicate that five of the alleged raiders were arrested by the East Bengal police after they had crossed over to the Pakistan area.

CALCUTTA, March 1, (A. P. I.): Ten Bengali youths, including a Calcutta reporter, arrested in connection with the Dum Dum outrage, were placed before the Chief Presidency Magistrate today and remanded to police custody till March 5. Their bail petitions were rejected.

Prohibition Bill Passed In Bombay Assembly

MANY EXPLANATORY AMENDMENTS INCORPORATED

Sentences For Offence Enhanced: Minister Replies To Criticisms

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Bombay Prohibition Bill of 1949 was passed by the Bombay Legislative Assembly this afternoon, after the incorporation of nearly four dozen amendments, moved on behalf of the Government. Most of the amendments were of a technical nature, explaining or clarifying an ambiguity, though two of them made material difference to the substance of the Bill itself.

AMENDMENTS

In the original Bill, a minimum sentence of six months imprisonment was imposable on a person convicted for a second time, for opening, keeping or using any place as a common drinking house or assisting such business in any manner. By virtue of this amendment, the minimum for a second offence has been raised from six to nine months, and for a third and subsequent offence from nine months to one year.

The second amendment takes away the power of a person held in detention under the Prohibition Law, to go to any court of law for redress or appeal, except on the ground that the prescribed procedure has not been followed in his detention.

In his reply to the debate, Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Excise, says, "In Prohibition, I see the image of God."

MINISTER'S REPLY

Continuing his reply to the debate on the Bombay Prohibition Bill Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Excise, said that the main suggestions and criticisms regarding the Bill, centred round the executive aspects of the prohibition programme, the exemptions given to certain persons, classes and purposes and the penalties attached to offences under the Prohibition Law.

The execution of the prohibition plan was conjointly entrusted to non-official and official agencies. Government was aware that prohibition would fail without public co-operation. That was why they had set up non-official bodies like the Provincial Prohibition Board, Sub-Committees and District Committees. The large number of Village Committees proposed to be set up would follow the same lines. Besides, there were non-official experts working with the Prohibition Board as well as the whole of the Home Guard movement. The Prohibition Guards had now become a part of the Home Guards.

The committees, he maintained would be entrusted with sufficient powers and would enjoy some status. But, it was hard to impose any status by law. It had to be earned by these committees by service and sacrifice.

He did not agree that the close association of non-official bodies would undermine the enthusiasm of officials. This was the way of democracy and officials had realised it, and were co-operating with non-official bodies.

CRITICISM OF POLICE

Referring to the criticisms of the police, the Excise Minister pleaded that they must be given a chance to adjust themselves to the new set-up. It was unfair to condemn them outright. Already some improvement was visible in the higher cadres of officialdom and he was certain that it was a matter of time, and this influence was bound to percolate to the ranks also. Just as there were bad citizens, there were also bad persons in the police force. But, the aim was to mobilise the good section of the police and good citizens to fight unfair practices and lawless elements.

The Minister said that Government had issued instructions to all departments that they must not take liquor. The Police and the Excise Departments had been specially warned. Even some dismissals had taken place.

The Minister observed that it was inadvisable to set apart a section of the police force for prohibition work. It was better that the whole force was entrusted with the task. The excise staff had been instructed to give special attention to the detection of prohibition offences and to help the police in all ways.

SPECIFIC EXEMPTIONS

Dealing with the specific exemptions in the Bill, he said that unless compelled by circumstances, no exemptions would be made. The policy in this direction was one of utmost caution.

While there was little objection to the exemptions given for medicinal and industrial purposes, a certain amount of criticism was voiced about the exemption for sacramental purposes. Government had appointed a committee to investigate and report, if the use of liquor was absolutely essential for certain religious purposes if this was made obligatory by the holy Scriptures of those religions; and

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BOMBAY-SYDNEY AIR SERVICE

Indian Overseas Airlines To Inaugurate Proving Flight On March 15

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Indian Overseas Airlines, who will shortly inaugurate a Bombay—Sydney "skymaster" air service, will conduct a proving flight in a special Skymaster machine leaving Santa Cruz airport on March 15.

The team of traffic experts, which will go with the proving flight, will be headed by Mr. N. U. Parekh, General Manager of the Indian Overseas Airlines, and the Government of India will be represented by Mr. T. P. Bhalla, Director-General of Civil Aviation. The party will also include some officers of the Government of India's Meteorological Department and the Deputy Director of Air Transport, Civil Aviation Department.

The proving flight plane will halt at Calcutta, Bangkok, Singapore and Darwin.

The original licence was for a route via Batavia and Saurabaya, but due to later developments these two halts have been omitted and the Skymaster will fly from Singapore to Darwin in one hop, thence to Sydney.

The party, which will also include some journalists, will spend a day in Bangkok, two in Singapore, one day in Darwin and three in Sydney before returning to Bombay on March 25. The regular service is expected to operate by the middle of April.

Far East Air Service Launched

NEW DELHI, March 1 (API): The Bharat Airways began their Far East Air service today with the first flight which left Calcutta at nine o'clock for Tokyo Via Bangkok, Saigon, Hongkong and Shanghai with the Director-General of Civil Aviation and four officers of the Government of India and some members of the staff of Bharat Airways. The plane is expected to return to India on March 4.

2 INJURED IN CRACKER EXPLOSION

CALCUTTA, March 1, (A.P.I.): Two persons, including a police constable, were injured in a cracker explosion inside the Shampukur police station in north Calcutta today.

The cracker—a seized article—which had been kept in the Thana Malkhana (strong room) exploded while the room was being cleaned this morning, injuring a constable standing nearby and a mason who was working inside the room.

More Foodgrains Reach Bombay

BOMBAY, March 1 (A.P.I.): The "Star of Luxor" with 4,168 tons of rice from Egypt arrived in Bombay port yesterday. The "St. Arvwns" also arrived yesterday with 9,679 tons of maize from Argentine.

Earlier, during the week ended February 27, eight food ships from different countries brought 66,707 tons of foodgrains including 15,238 tons of rice from Siam.

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THE FOLLOWING NOTICES OF MOTIONS given under Section 36 (M) and (N) of the Municipal Act, will be placed before the Adjourned Budget Meeting of the Corporation:—

44-45. By Mr. Ganpatishankar N. Desai—For making a provision (44) of Rs. 26,639 in the Revised Loan Works Budget for 1948-49 under I.—General Supervision, etc., Item No. 7—Construction of a Mezanine floor in the Chief Accountant's Department; and (45) of Rs. 10,000 in the Loan Works Budget for 1949-50 under IX—Mechanical, for meeting the cost of the temporary staff etc., required in connection with the construction of a Central garage at Worli for Municipal fleet of motor vehicles.

By Order of
His Worship the Mayor,
B. V. MODY,
Municipal Secretary.

Municipal Corporation Office,
Bombay, 1st March, 1949.
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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
UNITED STATE OF SAURASHTRA, RAJKOT.
TENDERS FOR BAMBHAN IRRIGATION SCHEME.

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the construction of an earthen dam across river Bambhan 8 mile South of Halvad by the undersigned at his Office at Rajkot so as to reach at 4-00 p.m. on 25-3-49. The estimate of cost of works is Rs. 46 lacs approximately. The total cost of the Scheme will be Rs. 60 lacs. Tender forms, plans, specifications, and conditions of contract can be had from the office of the Executive Engineer, Project Division, Wankaner, on payment of Rs. 50/-. Only first-class contractors with experience of such hydraulic works of this magnitude need apply with testimonials and list of works to their credit. The undersigned does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

U. J. BHATT,
Chief Engineer.
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NOTICE

APPLICATIONS are invited from Muslim candidates for two posts of a Dresser and Compounder in the Government of India dispensary attached to the Consulate of India at Jedda (Saudi Arabia). The posts have been sanctioned for a period of six months in the first instance but are likely to be extended. The candidate should have qualified from a recognised training institute. The posts carry the following emoluments:—

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(ii) Foreign Allowance Rs. 150/- p.m.
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Application stating age, experience and qualifications with copies of testimonials should be addressed to the Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations, New Delhi. Candidates already in Government service should send their applications through proper channel. Those holding a substantive post in a Government or Municipal Hospital will be preferred. The last date for the receipt of applications is the 15th March, 1949.
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B.B. & C.I. RAILWAY
ALTERATION OF TRAIN TIMINGS

WITH IMMEDIATE EFFECT the arrival timings at Bombay Central of Nos. 20 Up Meerut Express, 2 Up Gujerat Mail, 32 Up Rajputana-Sind Mail, 10 Up Saurashtra Mail and 4 Up Frontier Mail have been altered. The arrival timings of these trains at Bombay Central will be as follows:—

No. 20 Up Meerut Express	7.20
No. 2 Up Gujerat Mail	8.40
No. 32 Up Rajputana-Sind Mail	9.20
No. 10 Up Saurashtra Mail	10.40
No. 4 Up Frontier Mail	11.20

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G.I.P. RLY.—NOTICE

THE DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER (Grainshops), G.I.P. Rly., Bombay V.T., will receive tenders on the prescribed form upto 16 hrs. on 16th March 1949 for the Handling and Carting work at the grainshop at Thana. Tender documents may be obtained free of charge on request from the above office.
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GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.
ELECTRIC GRID DEPARTMENT.
TENDER NOTICE.
SPECIFICATION NO. ELG|T-11.

No. T. 4 S.9:—Sealed tenders are invited for SUB-STATION EQUIPMENTS FOR THE SOUTH GUJARAT ELECTRIC GRID SCHEME, as per above Specification, and will be received in the office of the Electrical Commissioner with the Government of Bombay Foreshore Road, Bombay 1, upto 5 p.m. on or before the 16th JUNE, 1949.

2. Specifications and General Conditions of contract can be had from the office of the undersigned on cash payment of Rs. 50|- per set. Firms outside Bombay may obtain copies on remittance by Money Order. No refund of payments will be made.

V. P. VAIDYA,
Executive Engineer (Transmission,)
For Electrical Commissioner
with the Government of Bombay.
Bombay,
Dated the 28th Feb. 1949.
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NOTICE

OFFERS ARE INVITED for the Supply of Laboratory Equipment (Chemical, Bacteriological and Workshop) for the Central Fishery Technological Institute to be set up at Bombay. Further particulars can be had from the undersigned.

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Govt. of India Deepsea Fishing Station.
Botawalla Chambers,
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NOTICE

THE DHANALAKSHMI MILLS, LTD
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NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING of the Company will be held at 4 p.m. (I.S.T. on SUNDAY the 27th March, 1949 at the Registered Office of the Company, Tirupur, (Coimbatore Dt.) to transtact the usual business.

A Tax-Free Dividend of 13 1 2% for the year ended 31st December, 1948, has been recommended by the Directors.

The Share Transfer Register of the Company will be closed from 14-3-49 to 27-3-49 (both days inclusive).

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NOTICE

APPLICATIONS supported by copies of testimonials are invited for the following temporary posts in Government Transport Service, Bombay, which should reach the undersigned not later than 15-3-1949.

WORKSHOP FOREMAN.—
He should atleast be a matriculate with 5 years experience of a motor mechanics in a workshop of good repute, should have a sound knowledge of motor mechanism and be able to attend to all types of motor repairs independently, and should have experience of handling labour. A man who has independently run a workshop, will be preferred. Pay Rs. 220/- in the scale of Rs. 220-10-270.

ELECTRICIAN.—
He should possess a thorough knowledge of motor mechanism, specially electrical work. Should be able to do wiring of motor vehicles of all types, repairs to generators, starters and all other electrical work connected with motor vehicles. Should have atleast 5 years' experience as an independent motor electrician in a workshop of good repute. Pay Rs. 150/- p.m. in the scale of Rs. 150-5-170.

Director,
Govt. Transport Service
Swadeshi Mills Estate,
Queens Road, Bombay.
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WANTED

APPLICATIONS are invited for the temporary post of Rationing Officer, in the grade of Rs. 140-10-250 plus dearness allowance admissible at the rate sanctioned by Government from time to time, to be filled in at Murud. Only those possessing the degree of a 'Bachelor of Arts' or any other equivalent degree or higher qualification and having some experience of office and executive work need apply. Applications must reach the undersigned on or before 5th March, 1949. If called for an interview the applicants will have to travel at their own expenses. The candidates selected for the post are not guaranteed permanent posts, when their services will be required to be terminated owing to the abolition of the post. If the candidate is found unsuitable and incapable to discharge duties he would be discharged without notice. The post is purely on temporary basis.

(Sd.) E. FRANCIS,
District Magistrate, Kolaba.
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BY THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

No. 1817,151.—With reference to the Commissioner of Police, Bombay's Notification No. 23026| 151, dated the 5th October, 1948, and in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 22 of the City of Bombay Police Act, 1902, the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, makes the following new rule:—

"62-(c) Regulation of traffic in Murzban Road between the hours of 6 p.m. and 1 a.m.

Murzban Road from its junction with Hornby Road to its junction with Ravelin Street shall be closed to Northbound vehicular traffic, i.e., no entry from Ravelin Street."

J. S. SHARUCHA,
Commissioner of Police.
Bombay, 29th January, 1949.
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NOTICE.

Office of the Provincial Textile Controller,
6-A, Cooperage, Fort,
Bombay, 26th February, 1949.

SALE OF YARN.

STOCKS of Indian Mill made Yarn aggregating 1998 3/8 bales are available with Government at Bombay for disposal. The stocks, consist of 1792 bales of 2s waste and 206 bales of mixed yarn of various counts. Offers are invited from consumers for the purchase of these stocks. Applications from intending purchasers should be made to the Provincial Textile Controller, 6-A, Cooperage, Fort, Bombay. Purchasers will have to take delivery from the godowns of the Provincial Industrial Co-operative Association, Ltd., 9, Bake House Lane, Fort, Bombay on payment of 10 per cent over the ex-mill prices. Supplies will be made only to genuine weavers getting regular quotas from the Provincial Textile Controller or District Magistrate.

G. L. SHETH,
Provincial Textile Controller,
Bombay.
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BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

SEALED TENDERS are invited by the Chief Engineer, Bombay Port Trust, for the supply and delivery of approximately 3200 brass of sand for General Works and Railway for the year 1949-50. Conditions of contract, specifications and tender form can be obtained from this office on payment of Rs. 5/- per set.

No tender will be considered which is not made in the prescribed form or which is not accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 750/- by cross cheque, as earnest money which deposit will be returned to the unsuccessful tenderer.

Tenders will be received upto 1 P.M. (S.T.) on Tuesday 15th March 1949.

CHIEF ENGINEER.
Ballard Road, Fort, Bombay.
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NOTICE.
AUCTION OF TIMBER

ABOUT 30,000 Fir sleepers of good quality will be sold by public auction in the Government timber Depot at Dhilwan (E. P. Rly.) on the 5th March, 1949. 10 per cent of the amount of sale will be realized at the time of auction and the remainder by the 25th March, 1949. The detailed conditions of sale will be announced on spot. In addition to the above some other Fir and Kail timber will also be put to auction. Any timber left over will be sold on the 17th March, 1949.

DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER,
Beas Forest Division,
Hoshiarpur.
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NOTICE

AS FROM the 2nd March, 1949, the current official prices of "Shell and B.O.C." petrol in Bombay island and suburbs has been increased to Rs. 2-0-6 per gallon ex pump and Rs. 2-1-6 per gallon in sealed cans. These prices are exclusive of the Sales Tax imposed by the Bombay Provincial Government.
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai HAWABAI, widow of Abdul Latif Gani Suleman, of Bombay Muslim Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, right of residence share on partition, casement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Examiner Press Building, 35, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of perpetual Fazandari land or ground, together with the messuages, tenements or buildings standing thereon situate at Kambekar Street, Memon Moholla, without the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 535 (in Collector's Record 342) square yards or thereabouts and bearing Collector's Old No. 76 and Collector's New No. 1609, New Survey No. 1323 (part) and Cadastral Survey No. 1144 of Mandvi Division and the buildings whereof are assessed by the Bombay Municipality under B Ward No. 1011 and New Street Nos. 171-175 and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the West by the Kambekar Street aforesaid, on or towards the East by Sweeper's passage, on or towards the South by the property of Haji Mahomed Abu and on or towards the North by the property of Haji Dawood Haji Alias.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1949.
RANCHODDAS & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. GULAM AHMEDBHAI AFZALBHAI, of Bombay Muslim Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client, free from incumbrances. All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Albert Building, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen (14) days from the date hereof, otherwise, the sale will be completed without reference to such claim, and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece of Leasehold land or ground together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon known as "RASOOL VILLA" situate lying and being at Matheran in the Registration Sub-District of Karjat, District Kolaba, containing by admeasurement 14 Gunthas and denoted as No. 211 in the map or plan of Matheran and bounded as follows:—That is to say, on the East, by the Government ground through which runs the Neral Matheran Road, on the West and North, by Government Waste land and on the South by plot No. 212.

Dated this 1st day of March, 1949.
BHAISHANKER KANGA &
GIRDHARLAL,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the partnership heretofore subsisting between- Nessim Solomon Frangi, Keshavlal Hirachand Jobanputra, Ibrahim Khanmahomed Cassombhoy, Madan Naishad Raiji and Vishwanath Ramchandra Apte carrying on business at 32, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, under the style or firm of N. S. Frangi (India) has been dissolved as from the 31st day of March 1948.

Dated this 28th day of Feb. 1949.
MULLA & MULLA,
Attorneys for Partners.
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT MADRAS
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
C.S. No. 290 of 1948.

Between:—
SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHY AVARGAL, the Rajah of Ramnad ..... Plaintiff
Vs.
AZIZ MOHAMED ..... Defendant

To
AZIZ MOHAMED, c|o Secretary, Royal Western India Turf Club, Bombay, AND AT Bhairoba Road, Manowrie, Poona, Defendant.

TAKE NOTICE that the Plaintiff abovenamed has filed a suit against you for the recovery of a sum of Rs. 9,167|- (Rupees Nine Thousand one hundred and sixty seven) being the balance of Principal and Interest due to him on a promissory note dated 18-4-1946 in his favour. Further interest at 6% on the principal sum of Rs. 8,900|- till date of decree and costs of suit and interest on the said sum and costs at 6% per annum from the date of decree till payment is also claimed. The plaintiff will obtain a decree for the above sums and costs and interest in default of your appearing and obtaining leave to defend the suit within six weeks. Leave to defend may be obtained on application to Court or Master supported by affidavit or declaration. Failing your appearance within the time abovesaid a decree will be obtained Exparte.

T. B. BALAGOPAL,
Advocate for plaintiff.
28-2-1949.
59, Law Chambers,
High Court, Madras.
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LEGAL NOTICES

HIGH COURT
O. O. C. J.
Suit No. 2971 of 1947.

Messrs. VADILAL CHUNILAL, a firm, ... Plaintiffs.
V/s.
CHIMANLAL KACHRADAS ..... Defendant.

To
CHIMANLAL KACHRADAS, the Defendant,

TAKE NOTICE that the Plaintiffs have instituted this suit to recover from you Rs. 20,000/-, interest, costs and interest on judgment, you are summoned to appear on the 29th day of March, 1949, at 11 o'clock (S.T.), in the forenoon or by Advocate (O.S.), and that in default of your appearance on that day the suit will be determined and heard in your absence WITNESS MAHOMEDALI CURRIM CHAGLA, Esq., CHIEF JUSTICE AT BOMBAY aforesaid this 22nd day of January, 1949.

(Sd) A. R. NARAYAN IYYER,
for Prothonotary &
Senior Master.
Sealed.
(Sd) A. R. NARAYAN IYYER,
22nd January, 1949.
Messrs. KANGA & CO.,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys.
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the partnership heretofore subsisting between KESHAVLAL HIRACHAND JOBANPUTRA, NESSIM SOLOMON FRANGI, IBRAHIM KHANMAHOMED CASSUMBHOY, MADAN NAISHAD RAIJI and VISHWANATH RAMCHANDRA APTE, carrying on business at 32, Apollo Street, Bombay under the style or firm of the Near East Trading Co. (India) has been DISSOLVED as from the 31st day of March, 1948, and the said business as from 1st April, 1948, is being carried on in the same name and style of the Near East Trading Co. (India) by the said Keshavlal Hirachand Jobanputra, Ebrahim Khanmahomed Cassumbhoy, Madan Naishad Raiji and Vishwanath Ramchandra Apte.

Dated this 28th day of February, 1949.
MULLA & MULLA,
Attorneys for the partners.
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AUCTION SALES

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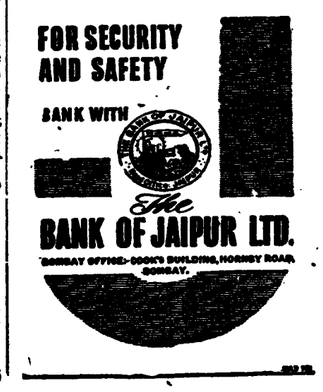
Under instructions from PARTY CONCERNED Messrs. MISTRY & CO., Auctioneers, will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION on SUNDAY, 6th March, '49, at 10-30 A.M. at GRANTS BLDG., behind STRAND CINEMA, Arthur Bunder Road, Colaba, huge lot of hotel linen, crockery, glassware, household furniture, table fans, safe, steel cupboard, Radio, typewriter, English Piano, etc. & MOTOR CARS. ON VIEW from TOMORROW. Auctioneers: MISTRY & CO. (Tel: 22801).

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ELECTRICAL ENERGY IN BOMBAY PROVINCE

Big Schemes To Augment Power Supply

BOMBAY, Tuesday

The various schemes sponsored by the Government of Bombay and private companies designed to augment the power supply of the province were outlined by Mr. P. V. Advani, Electricity Commissioner to Government, when he addressed the Rotary Club of Bombay this afternoon. Mr. N. S. Sen (President) presided.

Mr. Advani said that when the schemes proposed to be undertaken would be implemented by 1960 the total installed capacity in the province would be about 8,65,000 kilowatts as against 3,23,000 in 1944.

He said that several schemes had to be given up by Government on account of exorbitant costs involved. There were about 65 licensees supplying power, the biggest agencies being the Tatas with an installed capacity of 2,36,000 kilomatts and the Ahmedabad Electric Company with an installed capacity of 65,500 kilowatts.

Comparing the electricity consumption per individual in Bombay Province to that in advanced countries like England, Canada and the U.S.A. Mr. Advani said that our province lagged far behind in this respect. It was with a view to making the supply of power within the reach of both the urban and rural people that the Bombay Government had set up the Electric Grid Department. Government was aiming at a co-ordinated development of power supply and with this end in view negotiations were being carried on with the Railways and the States so that a common system of generation and transmission might be evolved as effectively and economically as possible.

BARODA'S CO-OPERATION

In North Gujarat, the Ahmedabad Electric Company was expanding its transmission system upto Baroda in the South and Kalol in the north, Mr Advani said. The Baroda Government have agreed to give up their separate schemes and to take bulk supply from the provincial projects. This scheme which would serve about 700 to 800 square miles was estimated to cost Rs. 222 lakhs and would be self-supporting within three years of its execution.

In South Gujarat Government's scheme was expected to come into operation by the end of next year and the total expenditure involved was estimated to be Rs. 301 lakhs, he observed.

Negotiations were being conducted by Government with the B.B. & C.I. Railway for electrifying the lines from Virar to Ahmedabad and to develop a common power system which would mean a total capital saving of Rs. 125 lakhs.

In Karnatak the biggest scheme contemplated by Government was the Koyina project with an estimated total cost of Rs. 37 crores.

Mr. Advani said that Government had allotted Rs. 675 lakhs for power development from the Post-War Reconstruction Development fund in 1950-51.

BHAIRAVANTIPPA IRRIGATION PROJECT

MADRAS, March 1 (API)—"The Madras Government expect to take in hand the execution of the Bhairavantippa irrigation project in Bellary district during the year 1949-50", stated Mr. M. Bhaktavatsalam, Minister for Public Works, in the Madras Assembly today.

The project, costing about Rs. 60 lakhs, he said, would bring under cultivation 10,000 acres of land in Bellary and Anantapur districts.

Preliminary investigation of the project had already been completed, Mr. Bhaktavatsalam added, and an agreement had been reached with the Mysore Government on the execution of the project as a large area of Mysore State was involved in the scheme.

P. & T. Workers Adamant To Strike From March 9

CALCUTTA, March 1 (API)—The decision of the members of the Bengal branch of the Union of Posts and Telegraph workers to go on strike on March 9 stands until the arrested members of the Bengal Council of the Union are set free, the provincial office is unseal ed and the council is allowed to meet, Dr. Atin Bose, vice-President Bengal branch of the PTW, said in a statement today.

Madras P. & T. Union To Observe March 3 As Protest Day

MADRAS, March 1 (API)—In pursuance of the resolution of the Supreme Council of the All-India Union of Posts and Telegraph workers to observe March 3 as a day of protest against the arrest of the General Secretary of the Union, Mr. Om Prakash Gupta, the officiating General Secretary in a statement today calls upon the workers "to observe the day very peacefully."

He says "The demonstrations should be conducted in a very peaceful manner befitting the dignity of our organisation and—that any ban against demonstrations, wherever in force, should not be defied."

NAIDU VISITS AYURVEDIC INSTITUTE

(From Our Correspondent.)

JAMNAGAR, March 1.

Mr. Naidu the Special Officer of Madras Government, visited the Ayurvedic institute when Dr. Pranjiwan Mehta personally explained the guest the research and other activities in the Ayurvedic fields which are being carried on in this institution. A function was organised in the College, with Mr. Muljibhai Solankar in the chair, when Shri Naidu said: I am pleased to see the work being done here in the research of Ayurved and it seems to me that the Chopra Committee might have taken the idea from this institution to suggest new reforms to the Government."

Mr. Naidu added that the Government of Madras has decided to spend Rs. five lakhs every year for five years over such an institution to be started in Madras, and the Government of Madras has appealed to Dr. Pranjiwan Mehta to co-operate in starting such an institution in Madras.

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CITY & SUBURBS

To-day

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Muslim: Jamadi-ul-Avval, 1368.
Parsi: Meher 1, 1318.
Sunrise: 6-58 a.m. Sunset: 6-44 p.m.
Hightide: 01-26, 13-40.
Lowtide: 07-36, 19-27

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: The next weekly meeting of the Standing Committee will be held here today, at 3 p.m. (B. T.)

To-day's Engagements

THE SIND HINDU PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION BOMBAY: A meeting of a few friends in the Office of the Sindhu Resettlement Corporation Ltd., today, at 4-30 p.m. to meet Dr. Choithram P. Gidwani, who has come from Delhi with some useful information in connection with the question of properties left in Pakistan.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: "Cycles of Habits and Moods" is the subject of short talk to be followed by questions and answers today, at 6-15 p.m., at Jehangir Wadia Building, Opp Flora Fountain.

SOCIALIST PARTY (BOMBAY). The Executive Committee of the Socialist Party (Bombay) has decided that the election activities of the Party, which till now were restricted to the City alone, should be expanded to the Suburbs also.

FREE EDUCATION IN YOGA: Under the auspices of the 'Ramtirth Yogashram, (448, Sandhurst Road, Bombay-4), free classes in yoga are conducted daily, (except on Sundays) between 7 a.m. and 9-30 a.m. Advantage of the above classes was taken by 41 healthy and unhealthy people in the month of January, 1949.

EDUCATIONAL FILMS OF INDIA: The displays will be resumed from Saturday, the 19th March, 1949, at 7-30 p.m. (S. T.).

BOMBAY SINGER SEWING MACHINE EMPLOYEES' UNION: The employees of the Bombay Singer Sewing Machine Co. have formed themselves into a Union and affiliated the same with I. N. T. U. C. They have elected Shri B. K. Hardikar as the President of the Union and Shri Radhakrishna and Shri T. S. Jahagirdar, Advocate, as Vice-Presidents. The Union has applied to the Registrar of Trade Union for registration of the Union and also forwarded a memorandum of demands to the management for considering the same favourably. The Union is situated in Tilak Mandir, Congress House.

FEDERATION OF BANK EMPLOYEES: At a general body meeting of the Federation of Bank Employees Bombay, it was decided to hold a strike ballot, from March 16-3-49 to March 20. The result of the strike ballot taken by the Affiliated Unions of the Federation will be considered at a specially convened meeting of the general body by the end of March, in case the whole of the disputes are not referred to arbitration by the Government of Bombay. The General Council of the Federation will meet shortly to implement the decision of the General Body.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT: Received a nicely-prepared and useful blotting pad from Messrs. Padamsi Premji & Co., 113, New Chinch Bunder, Bombay—9.

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL CORPORATION: The next meeting of the Corporation will be on FRIDAY, THE 4TH MARCH 1949, AT 3 P.M. (B.T.)

SRI VADIRAJASWAMI ARADHANA will be celebrated at the Udipi Sri Krishna Mandiram, Tripilcane, from 10th to 18th March 1949 (both days inclusive). Sri Vadirajaswami Vidwat Sabha will also be held from 14th to 16th March, 1949.

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL TO RAISE 2500,000,000 DOL IN U. S.

NEW YORK, March 1 (UPA): The United Jewish Appeal has announced its decision to proceed with a campaign to raise 250,000,000 dollars in the United States, whether or not the United Palestine Appeal approves its administrative force. At the same time, however, the way was left open for the United Palestine Appeal to take part in the campaign.

BOMBAY NURSING COUNCIL: The result of the General Nursing Part II Examination was declared today and following are the numbers of successful candidates:—Nos. 301 302 303 304 305 306 307 308 309 310 311 312 313 314 315 317 318 320 321 322 323 324 326 327 328 329 330 331 332 333 334 335 336 337 338 339 343 344 345 346 352 354 355 357 358 359 360 362 363 364 365 366 367 368 369 370 371 372 373 374 375 376 378 380 381 382 383 386 390 391 396 399 400 402 403 404 405 406 407 411 416 418 419.

FREE EDUCATION FILM SHOW AT GHATKOPAR: Ghatkopar Progressive Students Association will show on behalf of Ghatkopar-Kirol Borough Municipality, Ghatkopar Free Educational films to the general public of Ghatkopar in Hindu Sabha Hall, today, at 7-30 p.m.

SAMASTA NAGAR CONFERENCE

BOMBAY, Feb 27:

The Samasta Nagar Conference will be held at Ajmer on the 11th, 12th, and 13th April 1949. Mr. T. N. Vyas, Principal, Meyo College, Ajmer, Chairman of the Reception Committee.

It is expected that Mr. N. Buch, I.C.S. Joint Secretary, Ministry of States, Government of India will inaugurate the conference to be presided over by Mr Ramanlal Vasantlal Desai.

BY FLYING BOAT TO DAR-ES-SALAAM

B.O.A.C. have introduced a flying boat service from the United Kingdom to Tanganyika which will give passengers from India a connection at Cairo.

The new service is operated once weekly in each direction between Southampton and Dar-es-Salaam with Short Solent flying-boats of the type employed on the Springbok route to Johannesburg.

The Solents, equipped to seat 34 passengers in comfortable surroundings, take only 44 hours for the journey between Cairo and Dar-es-Salaam, with night stops at Luxor and Kampala (Port Bell). With the introduction of the flying-boats, B.O.A.C. have withdrawn their twice-weekly landplane service to Dar-es-Salaam, flown with 18-seater York aircraft.



SURAT, 28-2-49.

Mr. Nagindas H. Kharwar, a leading industrialist, has been unanimously elected President of the Surat Chamber of Commerce for the current year.

Mr. Kharwar belongs to the well-known firm of B. M. Kharwar & Co., of Surat which was carrying on extensive trade with Japan, Burma and Bengal before the last war. After the dislocation after the the last war, the firm is now developing local trade in Surat and Bombay. He is prominent member of the weaving community of Surat and is associated with many institutions, charitable, educational and religious. He is also closely connected with trade associations, particularly co-operative, being the Chairman of the Surat Vankar Sahakari Sangh, one of the largest weavers' co-operative associations in the Bombay province. He is also a director of the Surat Textile Mills promoted specially to help the weavers of Surat.

Congress Participates In Local Board Elections

(From Our Correspondent)

ANDHERI, March 1:

Contrary to expectations, the Bombay Suburban Congress Committee has decided to take part in the Municipal and Local Board elections and have set up a Parliamentary Board consisting of leading Congressmen like Mr. Shantilal Shah, Mr. D. N. Vandrekar, Mr. M. K. Deshpande and Indravadan Oza to select suitable Congressmn to contest the majority seats on the local bodies in the ensuing elections which will be held in the second week of April.

For the Thana District Local Board, the Congress nominees representing the Bassein taluka area are Messrs. Bhausaheb Vartak, Mr. Ganpatrao Ravut and John Kuwel.

For the ten seats on the Suburban District Local Board, the term of which has been extended upto May 20, applications from candidates seeking election on Congress ticket had been invited and the last date of receiving such applications was February 28.

The Congress Parliamentary Board will meet early next week and select the candidates. The election will take place on April 10.

Three joint stocks companies with an authorized capital of Rs. 31 lakhs were incorporated and registered in Baroda state during January 1949. Of these, one was for manufacturing electrical lamps, lighting materials and apparatus, one for extracting oil and the third for carrying on agency functions.

Radio

BOMBAY, Wednesday, March 2.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)
31.41 m. (9,550 kc/s)

7-30 a.m. Gajanan A. Khadilkar 7-50 Waheed Khan 8-15 Bhajan: Air Artist 8-30 Waheed Khan.

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41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)

12-30 p.m. Mishra Sangeet 12-50 News (G) 12.55 Rang Tarang 1-25 Musical Interlude 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Lunch-Hour Music.

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5-0 p.m. Kamla Dua 5-15 G. A. Khadilkar 5-30 Narayan V. Patwardhan 5-45 Yadavrao S. Joshi 6-0 News (E) 6-10 Interlude 6-15 Jayaben Thakkar and Party 6-30 A. S. Inamdar 6-50 Mandolin Par Puria 7-0 Topic of the Day 7-10 Local Announcements and Weather Report 7-15 Waheed Khan 7-30 Urdu Adab 7-45 Pankaj Mullick 8-0 Jayaben Thakkar and Party 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Kamla Dua 8-45 Mandolin Recital 9-0 News (E) 9-15 A. S. Inamdar 9-30 B. B. C. News Relay 9-40 Anything Goes 9-45 Current Events 10-0 Esther Trindade 10-20 The Queen's Hall Orchestra 10-40 Gretel Sommer.

VARIATIONS.

41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. News (K) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 Usman Khan 8-15 News (H).

31.41 m. (9,550 kc/s)
12-45 p.m. News (M) 12-50 Musical Interlude 1-25 News (H) 1-30 Khayal Brindavani Sarang 2-0 Radio Forum 2-15 Mishra Sangeet.

41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)
6-0 p.m. By Air Artist 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners 7-15 News (K) 7-45 Commercial News 8-0 News (M) 8-15 Yadavrao S. Joshi 9-0 Narayan V. Patwardhan 9-15 News (H) 9-30 Iqbal Ki Ghazalen 10-0 Dusari Aghadi 10-30 Khayal Khanda.

BARODA, Wednesday, Feb. 2.

(250 m. 1,200 ks/s)

7-30 a.m. Raag Sangeet 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 G. K. Javdekar 8-30 Ghulam Ahmed Khan 5-30 p.m Stree Sammelan 6-0 News (E) 6-10 Interlude 6-15 For Rural Area 6-35 Film Variety 7-0 Chhotubhai Kothari 7-15 Vocal Music 7-30 G. K. Javdekar 7-45 Pustak Parikshan 8-0 Film Sangeet 8-10 Local Announcement and Weather Report 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Violin Recital 8-45 Vocal Music 9-0 News (E) 9-15 Duets 9-30 Ghulam Ahmed Khan.

WEATHER

WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, March 1, (API):— Following is the daily weather summary for Tuesday, the 1st March 1949.

Weather has been mainly dry over the country. Night temperatures have fallen in and near Orissa, the Central Provinces and north Hyderabad and were appreciably below normal over that region.

Forecast valid until the evening of 2nd:— A few showers may occur in the extreme south of the Peninsula Night temperatures will rise in the west Central Provinces, Berar, Madhya Bharat and Bhopal and Rajputana.

WEATHER CHART

POONA, March 1, (A. P. I.):— The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours from 1st December 1948 and departure from normal recorded at eight hours (IST) on 1/3/49.

Ahmedabad 98 65 0 0 minus 0.1; Ahmednagar 99 57 0 0 minus 0.6; Bangalore 87 61 0 0.5 minus 0.4; Baroda 100 58 0 0 minus 0.3; Belgaum 91 68 0 0.1 minus 0.4; Banaras 84 56 0 3.5 plus 1.7; Calcutta 87; Cherrapunji — 50 0 1.9 minus 1.5; Colombo 89 73 0 10.5 minus 1.1; Cuttack 65 0 0.3 minus 1.1; Darjiling — 41 0 2.1 plus 0.1; Dehradun 177 52 0 8.4 plus 2.5; Delhi — 53 0 0.9 minus 1.4; Hyderabad (Dn) 93 60 0 0 minus 1.0; Jaipur 86 51 0 0.6 minus 0.5; Kolhapur 94 64 0 0 —; Lucknow 85 54 0 1.5 minus 0.3; Madras 87 — — — —; Mahabaleshwar 83 64 0 0 minus 0.5; Mangalore 86 73 0 0 minus 0.7; Mussorie 59 50 0 7.3 minus 0.3; Mysore 91 65 0 0 minus 0.7; Nagpur 91 57 0 0 minus 1.5; Ootacamund 73 48 0 1.0 minus 2.5; Pachmarhi 80 48 0 0.5 minus 1.3; Patna — 4.57 0 3.9 plus 2.3; Poona 95 56 0 0 minus 0.3; Shillong — 43 0 2.5 plus 0.7; Simla — 48 0 5.5 minus 1.4; Trichinopoly 93 70 0 0.5 minus 3.8.

J. C. SHAH APPOINTED HIGH COURT JUDGE

The Hon'ble Mr. Justice J. C. Shah took his seat as a Judge of the Bombay High Court today when he was welcomed by the Advocate-General on behalf of the Original Side Bar and the Government Pleader on behalf of the Appellate Side Bar. His Lordship while at the Bar had a large practice on the Appellate Side of the High Court and had appeared with the Advocate-General Mr. Daphtary for the prosecution in the memorable Gandhi Murder Trial.

Raising Of Production Urged

"It is but an irony of fate, Gentlemen, that the trade in this country and to some extent the industry have to depend for their normal activities upon the whims and vagaries of some officers, who are neither conversant with the age-old system of distribution in consequence whereof defects lurk in distribution, with the result that not only the whole trade is paralised but the economic structure of the country, is to some extent, adversely affected" declared Mr. P. M. Kapadia, (advocate) while presiding at the Annual General Meeting of the Bombay Piecegoods Native Merchants' Association. He suggested, the raising of production, the raising of the bank rate of interest, contracting the currency by issuing long period loans and encouraging the public to invest their savings in business and industry as means to check the evils of inflation. Mr. Kapadia also pleaded for a reduction in taxation.

Baroda Electric Workers' Strike Called Off

The impasse created by the strike of the Electric Workers of the Baroda State has been resolved honourably. The Union, on the advice of its leaders, unanimously decided to call off the strike and to resume duty from the 26th February after a period of 9 days' strike. The strikers and their leaders in jail were released after midnight on the 25th February and all pending warrants and prosecutions have been ordered to be cancelled. The Government have recognised the union and have promised not to victimise the strikers.

All-Karnataka Literary Conference

The 32nd session of the All-Karnataka Literary Conference will be held at Gulbarga on 5th, 6th and 7th inst. under the Presidency of Rev. Uttangi Channappa. Hon. Rajasevaprasakta M Seshadri Revenue Member, Hyderabad Govt. will inaugurate it. Two more sectional Conferences will be held under the anspices of this literary Conference. Vidwan Narsinga Rao Manvi will preside over the All-Karnataka Writers' Conference which will be opened by Prof. D. R. Bendre. Srimati Gouradevi Inchalmath will preside over the All-Karnataka Women's Conference. This will be inaugurated by Srimati M. R. Lakshamma. The Hyderabad Government have kindly sanctioned Rs. 3,000 towards the expenses of these Conferences. Preparations are in full swing at Vallabh Bhai Nagar, the venue of the Conference.

"Insufficient Relief"

Dr. L. C. Jariwala, Vice-President of the All-India Manufacturers' Organization giving his opinion on the budget proposals of the Government of India, states that the budget, though not unfavourable to industrial enterprise, fails to provide impetus to industrial investment so badly needed under present industrial outlook. The removal of capital gains tax meets the general demand, but the relief of 1 1|2 annas making a total of 14 annas as income and super taxation on incomes of rupees one and half lacs is insufficient. It should have been more.

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Kolhapur Integrated Into Bombay

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Kher Recalls Foundation Of Maratha State By Shivaji

KOLHAPUR, March 1 (API): "On this historic occasion, my mind goes back 300 years when Shivaji laid the foundation of the great Maratha State", said the Premier of Bombay, Mr. B. G. Kher inaugurating here today the integration, into Bombay Province, of the State of Kolhapur, the last surviving portion of the Maratha Empire founded by Shivaji.

Kolhapur with an area of 3,230 square miles and a population of over a million is the 17th and last of the Deccan States to be thus merged.

Mr. Kher paid a tribute to the statesmanship, patriotism and self-sacrifice shown by the Maharaja of Kolhapur in agreeing to integrate his State and assured him on behalf of the Government of India that the Bombay Government would fully implement the terms of the agreement executed by him. As regards the people of Kolhapur who had such a glorious past to their credit, they would enjoy the benefits of responsible and democratic Government.

They would be entitled to enter the ranks of the Civil Services and the Armed Forces of the country and would also be eligible to the highest positions in the Indian Union. The people of the State would be given adequate representation in the Provincial Legislature and the permanent members of the State Services would be assorted in the services of the Provincial Government as far as possible. Now that the people of Kolhapur would become full citizens of the Indian Union, they would share the responsibilities and duties of Indian Union citizenship.

TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENTS

The Premier announced that whatever temporary arrangements had been made regarding Kolhapur, would be removed as early as possible so that the administrative set-up in the newly integrated territory would be similar to that of a district of Bombay, with necessary adjustments. The various irrigation, power and water supply schemes already undertaken by the State would be expedited. "We shall pay our special attention to the backward areas of the State, and shall spare no efforts to raise them to the level of other parts of the province as early as possible", the Premier added.

IN COMMEMORATION

In commemoration of the occasion, the Premier announced a remission of 10 per cent of the State's Land revenue demand for the current revenue year and remission of sentences of certain categories of prisoners.

SOUTH AFRICANS TO STOP SMUGGLING OF GOLD

CAPE TOWN, Feb. 28 (PTI-Reuter): South African jewellers will have their gold supplies drastically cut under a new "scheme starting tomorrow to discourage the smuggling of gold and jewellery from the union.

The treasury announced that high prices for gold obtainable in free markets overseas had given impetus to this "lucrative smuggling trade."

Largely as a consequence, it added, the number of jewellers obtaining gold from the mint had risen from ten in 1939 to more than 200 last year.

The treasury also said that apart from the desirability of suppressing smuggling, it had become necessary to limit the supply of gold the manufacture of jewellery for the internal market.

South Africa Facing Crisis

Malan Government Only Caused Mischief, Says Smuts

PRETORIA, Feb. 28. (P.T.I-Reuter): General Jan Smuts, addressing a large party rally here to-night, said South Africa faced a crisis and that the Government's only hope appeared to lay in recalling the 80,000,000 sterling gold loan to Britain.

He said this would be a disgrace as it could not help in development of the Union, but would merely extricate the Government from its difficulties.

General Smuts said the Government faced a crisis involving growing unemployment and the closing of banks.

The Government had twice tried to raise international loans, he said, the first effort having been a complete failure, while the second was subscribed largely by institutions under Government control.

General Smuts declared that Dr. Malan's Government had wrought only mischief since it came to power in the last general election.

He said the Government could not be changed by the March 9 provincial elections but it could be frightened.

"The country can either get back on the path of honour and development, or flout its friends and make trouble for all", he added.

"A great machine has been slowed down and halted but it can be started again, and I am quite prepared to do it".

S. African Minister Warns Banks Refusing Credits

WITBANH, Transvaal, Feb. 28 (PTI- Reuter): Mr. J. G. Strydom, South African Minister of Lands, warned here tonight that if banks and financial institutions in South Africa damaged the country for political ends by injudicious restriction of credit it would be the duty of the Government to "note it and watch conditions."

The Minister said it had been alleged that banks and financial institutions were refusing credit facilities whether the applications were backed by the best security or not.

If that were true, he said, it amounted to attempts to undermine the financial structure of South Africa.

It had been reported that when limiting credit, banks and institutions had alleged they were doing it at the Governments request, Mr. Strydom said. Such attempts to restrict good credit of the people were aimed at whipping up feeling against the Government, he said.

The Government had never given instructions to restrict credit. The Governor of the Reserve Bank, which had its own Board of Directors of which Government representatives were in the minority, had asked banks and institutions to try to curtail extravagance.

Successful Fight Against Fodder Shortage

AHMEDABAD, March 1. (A.P.I.): How the Ahmedabad Municipality is fighting fodder famine on sewage farm extending over an area of four square miles was shown to a representative of the Associated Press of India yesterday by the Municipal Engineer, Mr. J. S. Malik.

Worried over the disposal of about one crore fifty lakhs of gallons of sullage water every day, Mr. Malik thought of utilising it for growing fodder. He approached Government for an extension of the small sewage farm which was mainly used for the settling of sullage water before throwing it into the river Sabarmati. Government acquired for the Municipality about fifteen hundred acres of adjoining land which is being brought under fodder cultivation by means of tractors.

The experiment has proved a success beyond expectation, and now the city's cattle population is being daily fed with about seventy thousand lbs. of green fodder being raised out of maize on the sewage farm. This quantity will be increased to five lakhs lbs. of green fodder per day by May to feed 25,000 heads of cattle from the famine stricken area of the district.

Mr. Malik hopes to convert the sewage farm after tiding over the famine period into a dairy farm for supplying pure milk to the city.

Madras Govt. Warns Film Producers

MADRAS, March 1 (API): The Madras Government had directed the Provincial Board of Film Censors to strictly adhere to the provisions of the Film Code disallowing "drinking scenes" and also obscene portions that might lower public morality, said Mr. T. S. Avinashilingam Chettiar, Minister of Education, at question time in the Madras Legislative Assembly today.

The Minister said that Government were aware that the religious sentiments of people were not respected by film actors who played the roles of Hindu Gods and Goddesses. The Government were considering the question of banning such portrayals in films so that religious suceptibilities of the public would not be affected.

SIKH WOMEN PROCESSION IN PATIALA

PATIALA, Feb. 28, (A.P.I.): Processions were taken out today in different parts of the city by Sikh Women to protest against the arrest of Master Tara Singh in defiance of the Government ban.

Police kept vigil throughout the day and used tear-gas to disperse the processionists on various occasions.

Sikhs held a meeting this evening to protest against the use of tear-gas on the women processionists. They also demanded the release of Master Tara Singh.

POLICE RAIDS IN PATNA

PATNA, Feb. 28. (API)—Assisted by armed police, the Patna police and C.I.D. carried out a series of simultaneous raids and searches in the city this morning. About a dozen Communists, including some college students were taken into custody under the Public Security Measures Act.

Similar searches were carried out at a number of places throughout the province, according to information available here.

Searches are still reported to be continuing.

DISCUSSIONS ON NORTH ATLANTIC PACT

WASHINGTON, Mar. 1 (PTI-Reuter)—Ambassadors of the North Atlantic powers were expected to meet Mr. Dean Acheson, United States Secretary of State, again today.

All replies from West European Governments to the latest proposed draft of the North Atlantic Pact were expected to arrive here by the time the Ambassador meet.

The draft was completed at last Friday's meeting between Mr. Acheson and the Ambassadors.

News that the negotiators were meeting again so soon caused optimism in official Washington circles, and was taken to mean that the replies were unlikely to involve any major redrafting difficulties.

The text of the draft pact may be published within the next ten days.

Norway's representative may join in discussions before the pact is finally signed. Officials would not say wether Denmark would decide to take part in time for her to join the preliminary negotiations.

American press dispatches from Copenhagen yesterday quoted high diplomatic sources in Sweden as predicting that Sweden would join the treaty within six months and "possibly sooner if the Rusians make any move towards Finland."

COUNCIL OF EUROPE

LONDON, Feb. 28 (PTI-Reuter)—The five Western Union Governments are expected later this week to issue invitations to a ten-nation conference of Ministers to draft a statute for the proposed Council of Europe, it was learned here today.

It was thought likely that the conference would meet in March, probably in Paris.

In addition to the five Western Union countries, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Italy and Eire, are expected to be invited. Most of these countries have already announced willingness to join the Council of Europe.

Reduction Of Food Prices In Russia

LONDON, Feb. 28 (PTI-Reuter): Moscow radio tonight broadcast a decree signed by Marshall Stalin reducing the retail price of bread, butter, flour and tobacco in Russia by 10 per cent from tomorrow.

The decree also reduced the prices on a large range of food, clothing and household goods.

The radio said the step was possible because the rouble had appreciated in relation to foreign currencies. Goods were consequently produced at lower cost. Improved production methods also contributed to the decreasing cost of mass-produced goods.

The reduction marked "the second stage in the campaign for reducing retail commodity prices" it added. They represented an annual saving to Russians of "about 71,000,000,000 roubles."

Losses to the state in making these reductions "must be covered and undoubtedly will be covered by a number of economic measures, in spite of serious difficulties that will have to be overcome" the radio said.

FORMER MINISTER OF VIET NAM KIDNAPPED BY PARTISANS

PARIS, Feb. 28 (PTI- Reuter): M. Ung Uy, former Minister of ex-Emperor Bao Dai of Annam, was carried off by Viet Nam (Annamese Nationalist) partisans near Hue, capital of Annam, on Feb. 11, M. Phan Van Giao, Governor of Central Viet Nam, announced today, according to the French Press Agency.

M. Phan Van Giao announced that a Viet Namese Prefect of Saigon will be appointed soon, and will hand over the keys of the city to Bao Dai when the ex-Emperor returns to Indo-China.

'SECURITY IN SOUTH-EAST ASIA MAIN CONCERN OF U. S.'

'Times' Comment On New Delhi Conference On Burma

LONDON, March 1. (PTI-Reuter): The London 'Times' today said that the New Delhi Conference on Burma was a sign that the "tremendous upheavals" throughout Eastern Asia brought economic and political "perils" to India and Pakistan as much as to the western world.

The liberal 'Manchester Guardian' meanwhile, said that the meeting in New Delhi was a significant development in Commonwealth relations."

"The conference is only a small beginning" the 'Times' said. "It represents only a few countries directly interested in a single part of the wider turmoil.

"The revolutionary movement in Eastern Asia as a whole—ranging from North China down to Indonesia and northward—again to Malaya and the Burmese hills are changing the world—strategic and political map.

"The destinies of nearly 1,000,000,000 people are being shaped", the 'Times' continued "with Communists either in the leadership or striving towards it, the challenge to western security is at least as great as if Africa were in ferment and supported by a jealous and ambitioous power.

"Eastern Asia is among base of western Europe, and, even apart from their direct consequences in the Pacific sphere, further reverses in South-east Asia could undermine the west European prosperity which is America's first defence.

"The Delhi Conference will serve a wider purpose if it can become the example to encourage much closer consultation among all the western powers on these great questions of common concern.

"The stage of Burma brings its own warning reinforced by the knowledge of what might have happened in Malaya if British forces had not available.

"There is, perhaps, a double lesson to be drawn. It is first, that the western powers cannot stand in the patch of genuine nationalism and must instead strive to reach agreemet with it though timely and prudent concessions.

"The lession is, secondly, that, if face of these disorders, the western and other friendly powers, especially those of the Commonwealth must concert and plan their defesive strategy afresh from Japan to the Indian Ocean" the 'Times' added.

The 'Manchester Guardian' said "the meeting at New Delhi of Burma's friends and neighbours is a significant development in Commonwealth relations. For though Burma by the will of her own leaders, has ceased to be a member of the Commonwealth, she remains in some ways like Eire so near a neighbour that it is found impossible to regard her as a stranger.

"It is no secret that Thakin Nu and his collegues have found the problem of Government a great deal stiffer than they thought when they took office, and they have been cruelly handicapped by the death of Aung San Tin Tut, and the other murdered leaders.

"Six months ago they would hardly have considered accepting an offer of mediation from members of the Commonwealth which they had so abruptly left today they may be glad of it, and the more so, as the mainspring of the offer is clearly to be found in New Delhi rather than in London."

U. S. Will Not Wage Preventive War

Pacific Air Command Chief's View

SYDNEY, March 1 (PTI-Reuter): Brig.-Gen. Robert Travis, General Officer Commanding United States Pacific Air Command, now on a goodwill visit to Australia, said here today that America would never wage a pretentive war.

A Correspondent asked General Travis whether the United States would consider a preventive war against a certain great power."

He replied "much as we are damned by certain nations we will always wait until we are hit first, although I am afraid that it is a dangerous policy."

General Travis who is accompanied by 14 officers has just completed an inspection tour in Japan, China and the Philippines. He said that the United States would immediately spring to the aid of Australia if Australia were threatened by an aggressor.

The United States was doing all it could to keep the British Commonwealth Nations and the United States linked in every way.

"You can take it from me that in the event of a future 'show' we will be with the British Commonwealth," he said.

SIAM RETURNS TO NORMAL

BANGKOK, March 1. (PTI-Reuter) Bangkok returned to normal after a quiet night, following yesterday's truce which brought week-end fighting in the city between the army and the navy to a stop.

The Government of Marshal Phibul Songkram whose authority, elements in the navy were challenging, announced this morning that all military units had returned to barracks.

INVESTIGATE CONDITIONS OF WORKERS THROUGHOUT WORLD

Russian Proposal At U.N. Economic And Social Council

LAKE SUCCESS, Feb 28. (P.T.I-Reuter): Russia to-day proposed creation of a United Nations Commission to investigate working conditions throughout the world.

The Commission would be composed of representatives of Trade Unions and other Labour organisations in the proportion of one representative for every million members, its delegate suggested in the Economic and Social Council here.

On this basis, the Soviet Delegate gave this outline of what the Commission should do.

A(1) study the living conditions of unemployed workers.

(2) Determine real working conditions" in colonial territories.

(3) Collect "full information" on workers standards, using data supplied by Governments Trade Unions and other organisations; and

(4) Study the question of so-called forced labour.

No mention was made in the proposal that the Commission should conduct on-the-spot investigation in all countries.

M. Tsarapkin complained that reports on the condition of workers had so far been "inadequate" in many cases, not objective of often "crudely slanderous"

"There has been a divergency of opinion as to whether labour is free in the Soviet Union", he added.

The Council will discuss the proposal at a future meeting.

PATNA POLICE OPEN FIRE ON COAL THIEVES

PATNA, Feb. 28 (API)—One person was killed, when railway protection police opened fire on a gang of "coal thieves" on February 24 near Pagu bridge Gaya district according to a report received here.

The report adds that when the 909 Up through goods train left Manpur on the Grand Chord line at about 9 P.M. the railway protection police noticed that some miscreants had broken open some locked wagons and were stealing coal. When the police party encountered the thieves they threw missiles of lumps of coal on the police party. The police thereupon opened fire, a result of which one person was killed.

SEQUEL TO CALCUTTA POLICE FIRING

CALCUTTA, March 1, (A.P.I.): Two of the injured persons removed from Sankrail police station area in Howrah to hospital following police firing on a rioutous mob on Sunday last have succumbed to their injuries. This brings the total number of deaths in this connection to seven, including three women.

PAKISTAN CONSEMBLY MEMBER IN HOSPITAL

KARACHI, March, 1 (UPI)—Mr. D. N. Datta, a Member of the Pakistan Constituent Assembly from East Bengal, who arrived here for the Budget Session was removed to the Jinnah Hospital yesterday as he was reported to be suffering from high blood pressure.

DEATH FROM SUNBURN

SYDNEY—Sunburn caused the death of a two-year-old boy at Leeton New South Wales, recently. The child was severely sunburned while bathing, and despite a week's treatment in hospital, doctors were unable to save his life.

EXECUTED FOR EMBEZZLEMENT

BERLIN, Feb. 28 (UPA): Two Russian colonels has been executed for embezzlement in the Soviet zone of Germany, the American licensed DER ABEND reported today.

It said the men were believed to have been Colonel Grzinski, head of the Rasno export firm, and Colonel Taropin, chief of the Russian trade commission for Germany.

INDONESIA MAY NEGATIVE DUTCH R. T. C. TALKS

Likely To Refer To U. N.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28. (U.P.A.): The Indonesian Republic's delegate to the Security Council, L. N. Palar, to-day predicted that the Republic after rejecting the Dutch invitation to The Hague round-table would "present to the United Nations its own proposals for a solution based on realities of the present situation in Indonesia and South-east Asia."

Palar told the press that the Dutch call for a conference was a "clear rejection and outright defiance of the Security Council's three resolutions adopted since the Dutch launched their attack on the Republic December 18." He said the United Nations "is bound to act on the Dutch non-compliance" before March 12 but if the Council took no action, nations represented at the recent New Delhi conference "are sure to come to our assistance."

Palar told the press that the Dutch statement of policy is designed to avoid, firstly, restoring the Republic of Indonesia, secondly negotiating with the Republic as a party in the dispute before the Security Council and, thirdly, withdrawing Dutch troops—all of which was called for by the Security Council resolutions. "In the Dutch plan the final authority will rest with the Dutch.

The United Nations Commission for Indonesia will not be a party under whose auspices discussions will be carried on between the Republic and the Dutch. The Dutch statement claims sovereignty will be accorded to a United States of Indonesia. However, the Netehrlands Ambassador to the United States has already pointed out that in these round-table discussions the Netherlands Government will be bound by the limitations of the recent amendment to the constitution which was formulated by an all-Dutch commission and which does not give a single guarantee of sovereignty for a United States of Indonesia."

Palar said, "Part of the Dutch statement of policy was designed to give a seemingly justifiable reason for other nations to acquiesce to the Netherlands compliance with the Council resolutions and base their stand on the Dutch proposals. This point is the announced acceleration of the transfer of sovereignty to a United States of Indonesia. In reality the Dutch plan does not give the foundation for reaching any solution at all. All the issues which have existed between the Republic and the Netherlands and which have twice led the Dutch to resort to military action will arise again."

Malayans To Intensify Armed Struggle Against British

Call To Popular Organisations In Country

LONDON, March 1 (UPI) The Malayan organisations fighting against the British in Malaya have issued a joint manifesto calling for intensification of the armed struggle, the United Press learns from Malayan sources in London.

The manifesto published by the three strong organisations, the Militant Youth (Peta) the Malayan Women Federation and the Peasants Union demands complete independence and declared that the British promises of "self administration" are only intended to divert the Malayan people.

"The struggle will be long and fierce", says the manifesto", but victory will be ours since British imperialism is becoming weaker and increasingly isolated, while we are getting stronger because our struggle is a revolutionary war for the liberation of our people and our country."



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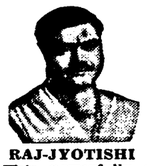
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TYNDALE DISQUALIFIED FOR HOLDING THE ROPES

Sculthorpe And Carvalho's Grand Display In Ranger's Boxing Tourney

BOMBAY, Tuesday: The Seventh Rangers Club Invitation Boxing Tournament was held at the Cooperage before well packed stands and enthusiastic supporters. A really high standard of boxing was witnessed. The best fight of the evening was put up by Sculthorpe of C.P. and Berar against the local Michael Carvalho. Sculthorpe and Carvalho made a close affair of their fight and Sculthorpe, who in the beginning looked beaten, rallied round wonderfully to clinch the issue.

What disappointed spectators was the sensational finish to the much sought after "rubber" match between Norman Tyndale of Pakistan and Peter Prince of Bombay. They were meeting for the third time and each had one once. Both boxers went about in real fashion of gaining a verdict, but for too much fouling was witnessed and the referee Loe Bebbington had to warn both boxers an numerous occasions and in the second round. Tyndale was disqualified for holding the ropes. Tyndale left the ring disgusted. Peter Prince was again given the verdict and, I should say he won the "rubber" on another disqualification.

Dr. Kothare destributed the prizes to the winners after each fight and Col. C. K. Nayudu was a guest of honour and an interested spectator.

Olaf Sampeys (125 lbs) Rangers and P. Rego 124 lbs) were well matched and both boxers had a good idea of the science of boxing. The first two rounds little of hard hitting was seen but the third round found the rival fighters making straight for one another and Sampeys packed up his punches smartly and followed them up fast. He lasted out to win on points.

The second fight between J. Barns (113 lbs) D. Petit Inst. and E Kothare (111 lbs) Rangers was expected to be a one sided affair, but Kothare certainly managed his opponent well and gave him quite a hard time. He lost on points, but his was a brave show.

The bout between R. Norris and Jack Cardoza was a very keen fight and in my opinion Cardoza should have been given the verdict. Cardoza had his opponent, Norris well pinned and it was a really hard fought fight. Both boxers fought with every available one a energy and Norris saved himself by leaving in the third round. The fight went in favour of R. Norris.

A. Thomas of BEST won easily and E. Kapper of Rangers was sent twice to the floor. A wild hitting bout which had every bout in the tramway man's favour.

N. Ballard of Rangers looking every inch a fighter had to put in everything he knew about boxing to save his skin against B. E Lobo. (NNH), who though shorter and having a shorter reach packed some good wallops that produced results. Ballard won, but Lobo put up a good fight.

O. Layzell and Stoker Solder provided the amusement at this evening's boxing and the complete unorthodoxy in fighting methods provided plenty of thrills. Layzell was a deserved winner.

J. Loku and H. Perrier provided a good fight. Loku connected well, but he also had to take some punishment and Perrier fought well. The last round Perrier took a good beating and lost narrowly to his more experienced opponent.

Nissim fought a good first round and had H. Norris beat, but in the second Norris had Nissim for a real punching and lefts and rights were freely used. Nissim went down twice for counts of nine and eight. Nissim surprising came in for the third round quite fresh and stood up well. Norris was warned for holding with his right and a good left nearly had Nissim finished but Norris failed to follow up. The bell saved Nissim H. Norris won. Nissim received a grand ovation from the crowd for the grand fight he put up.

It was pleasing to see a fast risted fight for both boxers punched away at a fast pace. Daruwalla as usual started well and then gave way to Gene Vandergucht. Daruwalla can dish out, but when it comes to taking he just can't as he has no defence. Daruwalla was down once for a count of nine in the second round. Daruwalla was warned in the third round for holding. Daruwalla was leaning and in the third he again went down for a count of nine and later received a warning for leaving rather late in the fight. Vandergucht is a class fighter and won easily.

D. Raymond has rather surprised his supporters when for the second time within the space of week he has been knocked out. Today R. Wilmer knocked him in the first round. Wilmer is a splendid and it was a tightly packed right that floored him.

Carvalho and Sculthorpe provided a good fight and excitement was feverish. Furtado pummelled the C P man in the beginning, but luckily Sculthorpe was given a chance to recover from his early battering and he made the best of it, punishing his opponent badly. The second round Carvalho was all over and had Sculthorpe down twice. It looked as though he would finish him. Carvalho intended to make a quick finish and a really thrilling finish was witnessed. Scutthorpe pulled up and both boxers were completely exhausted. Sculthorpe connected beautifull towards the end and was declared the winner, a really very close fight.

The following were the results:—

O. Sampeys (125) Rangers beat P. Rego (124) N.N.H on points

J. Salins (113) DPI beat E. Kothare (111) Rangers on points

R. Norris (116) Rangers beat J. Cardoza (114) BGAA on points.

A. Thomas (112) BEST beat E. Kapper (108) Rangers on points.

N. Ballard (126) Rangers beat B E. Lobo (127) (N. N H) on points

O. Layzell (108) Rangers beat Stoker Solder (105) RIN on points.

J. Loku (142) DPI beat H. Peffler (145 BEST on points

H Norris (125) Rangers beat M. Nissim (121) Maccabi on points.

G. Vandergucht (123) Rangers beat P. Daruwalla (126) D. P. I on points

R Wilmer (144) Rangers beat D. Raymond (140) NNH on a knock-out in the first round.

N Sculthorpe (142) C.P. and Berar beat M Carvalho (144) BGAA on points.

Peter Prince (139) Rangers beat N. Tyndale (130) Pakistan in 2nd round on disqualification for holding the ropes.

JOE LOUIS GIVES UP HIS WORLD TITLE

15-Round Charles-Walcott Bout To Decide New Champion

MIAMI, BEACH, Florida March, 1. (PTI-Reuter): Joe Louis today announced his formal resignation as the World's Heavyweight Champion to Abe J. Greene, National Boxing Commissioner.

Louis requested and received permission from the National Boxing Association to sponsor a fight between Ezzard Charles and Jersey Joe Walcott to determine the new World Champion. The fight is to be held over fifteen rounds at Chicago in June.

Louis had notified the National Boxing Association that he, Arthur Wirtz and James Norris had formed the International Boxing Club which will maintain offices in New York and Chicago.

This new body will promote the Charles-Walcott bout. Louis said he had obtained the signatures of both boxers for the World Championship Fight and both had agreed to defend their title within ninety days after the June match with either Lee Savold or Gus Lesnevich.

Lee Savold To Have A Crack At World Title

LONDON, March 1. PTI-Reuter): Lee Savold, the American, and the winner of the Bruce Woodcock-Freddie Mills British Title fight, may meet for the World Heavyweight Championship in London in September.

This development follows the announcement from Miami Florida, that Joe Louis had today formally relinquished his title.

"Savold is now the leading contender for the Championship and he has contracted to fight for me in London next September" said London Promoter Jack Solomons.

"I intend to put him in against the winner of the Mills Woodcock contest which takes place on June two".

Immediately World Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis sprang unexpectedly on the boxing world today the news of his retirement there began a promotion battle between American and English Boxing authorities to decide the right to stage the next World Heavy weight Championship fight.

Simultaneously with his shock announcement from Miami. Florida, Louis stated that he had asked and received permission from the National Boxing Association of America to sponsor a match between Ezzard Charles and "Jersey" Joe Walcott for the world title in Chicago next June. The fight is to be held over fifteen rounds.

London Promoter Jack Solomons immediately countered with the news that he intended to put American Lee Savold into the ring against the winner of the June bout between the British Bruce Woodcock and Freddie Mills for the World Title. This contest Solomons proposes to put on in London next September. He already has Savold under contract to fight at that time.

In the Day's Sport

CRICKET

Brabourne Stadium

10-30 a.m. Festival Match (Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Fund).

BOXING

Cooperage

9 p.m. Western India Championship (Junior titles).

WORLD PROFESSIONAL DIVING CHALLENGER SEEN IN ACTION IN BOMBAY







Miss Betty Slade, undefeated British and European Diving Champion and Challenger for the World Professional Diving Championship, who will be the star performer at the coming Asian Aquacade in Bombay, seen in action at the Golwalla Baths on Tuesday morning.

Pressmen Win A Dull Game

BOMBAY PROVINCIAL HOCKEY

BOMBAY, Tuesday: Times of India 'A' playing deplorable hockey just managed to get the better of GIP Railway 'B' by a solitary goal scored in the last stages of the second half. John Vas scored the all-important goal for the Pressmen.

Little interest was evinced by all around in today's game in the Provincial Championship. It seemed as though a practice match was scheduled for the day and a drawn game should be a correct indication of the run of play.

"Times" were taking things easy and they fielded a rather depleted outfit. Outside left Thompson was a mere passenger in the side and could hardly make a move. Tony Vas at full back was out of place and would have been seen to greater advantage at pivotal position. John Vas and Correa couldn't combine at all.

As for the chances that were missed they were hardly any and the Railway backs spoilt and every ocassion. GIP missed one good chance at the end of the opening half when right outer, Hayter shot hard from top of circle. Roberts got his stick to the ball and the ball was rolling into goal when Brown managed to get his padded leg to the ball.

"Times" forwards tried to make themselves more effective and Braganza who was right outer came into inner position, with John Vaz moving to centre and P. Pereira went as right extreme, but very little appreciative difference was noticed.

"Times" should have gone ahead when Frank Correa took a pot shot at goal from a free hit, but the ball went wide. Another fine chance was wasted when John Vaz ran though on his own, but Gomes in the Railway goal rushed out and saved. Thompson made a half-hearted shot which Gomes again saved, but soon afterwards John Vas scored the Times only goal when he dribbled his way in and from a melee shot to the top of the net.

Frank Correa had another chance of consolidating his sides position with only the goalkeeper to beat but he shot wide. The Railway tried to save the game and live to fight another battle but the Pressmen prevailed by a solitary goal.

The Teams:

TIMES OF INDIA 'A':— Brown; Roberts, Tony Vas; H. D'Souza, J. Rodricks, W. D'Souza, L Braganza, J. Vas, P. Pereira, P Correa, Thompson.

G.I.P. RLY 'B':— R Gomes; A D'Souza, R D'Souza, S Dovey, D Roy, A Fernandes; Hayther, R. Mascarenhas, H. Fernandes, W. Sulivan, Dalgado

Umpires: Wences & Vishwanathan.

WESTERN INDIA BOXING

Today's Programme For Juniors Titles

BOMBAY Tuesday

The Western India Boxing Championships held under the auspices of the B.P.A.F.B. for Juniors will be held at the Co-operage in two sessions. The evening session commences at 6 p.m. while the night session starts at 9 p.m.

The following fights have been raranged for the evening session;—

W. Page vs Ahmed. S. Khatau vs. Kondaya; J. Irani vs. Khandiva; K Irani vs V. Coutinho, Govind vs. A Coustell: S Moolgaukar vs. A. Joseph Luxman vs B. Fernandes. R. Jones vs. E. Isaac: Cadet S Sethna vs. P. Khatau.

Night Session:— Cadet E Adams vs. J. D'Souza: M Jones vs. Umer Lia: Cadet J Puar vs E Jacob: Cadet M D'Silva vs D. Taylor, Cadet Mazumdar vs R G. Povnta: D Townsend vs. winners of Isaac vs Jones: T. Hymes vs winner of Cadet Sethna vs. P. Khatau. C. Nicholas vs. N. Jones. D. Playfair vs. P Panton; Cadet D'Souza vs. C. Murray.

SAM MOTIWALA HELPS PARSEE GYMKHANA BEAT C. C. I. NARROWLY

Bombay Table Tennis League Championship Reaches Interesting Stage

BOMBAY, Tuesday:— Hitherto unbeaten in the Bombay Provincial Table Tennis League Tournament, the Cricket Club of India Team, which included India's champion Uttam Chandarana, lost very narrowly, and in thrilling fashion to the Parsee Gymkhana this evening.

This is the second time those two teams are meeting in the League, and earlier the Cricket Club of India had beaten the Parsee Gymkhana, today's defeat makes the League position very interesting as both these teams have now lost one match each. With only one more match to go, the League should result in a tie between the two top teams. A replay would then decide the championship.

In the meantime a protest by the Hindu Gymkhana "B" team demanding a walk-over over the Parsee Gymkhana for failing to turn up for their match is still "sub-judice".

In case the protest is upheld, the C.C.I. will emerge winners inspite of today's defeat.

Parsee Gymkhana owe their success today mainly to Sam Motiwalla, whose brilliant exhibition of form was the deciding factor.

Sam had the rare distinction of extending the National Champion Uttam Chandarana. Chandarana who had not dropped a single game throughout the League was forced to surrender one to Motiwalla this evening.

Motiwala lost the first set, but taking full advantage of Uttam's lack of consistency and accuracy in the second he clinched the issue by clever picking of the right shots to hit. The third and last game was won by Chandarana with a great deal of comfort.

P. K. Chaubbal, the skipper of the C.C.I. team had rather a bad day and lost all the three matches that he played.

When Chaubalal lost to K. H. Kapadia in the eighth game of the evening, the two sides were level with four wins each, and Motiwalla took his place at the table to face Varde in the deciding match of the two.

Varde, who had two victories over Motiwalla to his credit during the season failed to stop the irresistible Sam, and amidst great thrills the latter won the match by two games to one.

This gave the Parsee Gymkhana a very narrow victory over the cricket Club of India

The following were the results:—

PARSEE GYMKHANA BEAT C.C.I., 5-4.

S. N. Motiwala (Parsee Gym.) beat P. K. Chaubal (C.C.I.) 2-0; D. H. Kapadia (Parsee Gym.) beat P. S Varde (C.C.I.) 2-0; U M Chandarana (C.C.I.) beat K. H Kapadia (Parsee Gym.) 2-0; D H. Kapadia (Parsee Gym.) beat P. K Chaubal (C.C.I.) 2-0: U M Chandarana (C.C.I.) beat S N Motiwala (Parsee Gym) 2-1; P. S Varde (C.C.I.) beat K. H. Kapadia (Parsee Gym) 2-0: U M Chandarana (C.C.I.) beat D H. Kapadia (Parsee Gym.) 2-0: K. H. Kapadia (Parsee Gym.) beat P. K Chaubal (C.C.I.) 2-0: S. N. Motiwa's (Parsee Gym.) beat P. S. Varde (C.C.I.) 2-1.

SELVARAJ WINS NATIONAL SNOOKER

Wilson Jones Loses By 4 Frames To 1

CALCUTTA, March 1 (API): T. A. Selvaraj of Bangalore earned the distinction and title of the National Snooker Champion when he defeated Wilson Jones of Poona (the holder) in the final of the Snooker Championship of India tonight. By four frames to one. Jones opened splendidly and won the first frame rather easily by 61-38. Jones looked all over a winner in the second frame when he led 41-23 with the brown on the table. Selvaraj, however, potted the four coloured balls and clinched the frame by 45-51 amidst great applause.

From this point onwards it seemed that Jones had lost his touch and could not do anything right. On the other hand Selvaraj went on from success to success. Potting brilliantly and winning frame after frame. The third fourth and fifth frames went to Selvaraj rather onesided In so much as that Selvaraj won the fifth frame by 95-12 As the match was for the best of seven frames the remaining two frames were not played.

The final scores were Selvaraj (first) 38-61, 45-41, 55-42, 75-37, 95-12.

Hassett Scores 159 In Testimonial Match

JACK MORONEY IMPRESSES

SYDNEY, March 1 (PTI-Reuter): Arthur Morris Eleven won by eight wickets the Kippax-Oldfield Testimonial Match which ended here today.

A magnificent recovery by Lindsay Hassett's Eleven which had first innings affears of 377 forced the opposition to bat a second time, but only sixtyone runs were required for victory and they were knocked off for the loss of two wickets.

In their second innings Hassett's Eleven reached 437, Hassett himself scoring 159

Don Bradman did not bat when Morris team went in to get the necessary sixtyone, preferring to rest on his laurels of Saturday

Instead Bradman conferred with fellow Australian Selectors E. A Dwyer and J Ryder as the Match, apart from being a testimonial for two great Australian cricketers, was a final trial before the selection of the Australian party to tour South Africa later this year

Hassett provided the highlight of this final day's play when he carried his overnight (not out) 79 to 159 which included 13 fours.

He lost Neil Harvey with whom he engaged in a big fourth wicket stand. Harvey adding only 18 to his overnight 69

Four wickets were then down for 253, but Hassett and Loxton added 50 in 36 minutes and Hassett was eventually caught by his rival Captain Morris.

Loxton went on to 93, his highest score of the season.

The best bowling was Ian Johnson's four for 86 but Doug. Ring who took half the first innings wickets for 49 was severely punished in the second by Loxton and Hassett.

From the trial point of view this was Jack Moroney's match following his 217 yesterday.

COACH TO TRAIN OUR TENNIS PROS.

Miss Woodbridge Asked To Secure Services Of Expert

LUCKNOW, March 1, (API) It is understood that Miss Woodbridge, who is sailing for England shortly to take part in major Tennis Tournaments has been asked by Mr Ahmad Hussain, Secretary, Tennis Improvement Association, India, to help the Association in securing the services of any of the three coaches, namely, Maskel, Jeffreys or Weiss. Weiss came to India in 1936 and coached Ghaus Mohammad, Y. Singh and many others.

It is proposed to train six Indian professionals in the art of coaching so that India may be a self-sufficient unit. Lucknow will be the centre and all Provincial Capitals of the Indian Union will be sub-centres where the selected coach will go for training promising talent. The coach is likely to stay in India for over a year.

GWALIOR WINS TAME MATCH

Delhi Beaten By The Only Goal In National Hockey

NEW DELHI, March 1 (API): In the fourth match of the Inter-Provincial Hockey Tournament at Lady Hardinge Park here today the Gwalior Eleven beat the Delhi Eleven by the only goal scored.

The game opened tamely and both goals remained intact till the last minute after half-time when left-inner Canuns of the Gwalior XI sent across to right-extreme, Kunzroo, who put right-inner, Mathura Prasad in possession to make no mistake (1:0). The custodian Khalil Ahmad of the winners brought off a number of brilliant saves when the well united forwards of the rivals made repeated attacks on the goal. The forwards of the losers got no chance of equalizing because of the stone-wall full-backs of the outsiders.

TEAMS

DELHI XI: Sodhi, Suraj Gurnaram, Som Puri (Captain), Jaswant, Mehtab, Kalker, Brij, Kaka, Vishnu, Dass.

GWALIOR XI: Khalil, Ahmed, Yousuf, C. K. Roman, Narain Singh, Durga, Prasad, Mushtaq Ali, Bala Pawar Chote Babu, Mathura Prasad, M. G Chitnis, Kunzroo (Captain)

UMPIRES: Atea Singh and Tirlok Singh.

TODAY'S FIXTURE

U. P. vs. Patiala.

Entries For First Spring Meeting

The following are the Entries for Spring Races. First Day, to be held on Sunday, March 6th—

THE PALANPUR PLATE (Handicap, Horses. C II). 1-1/4 Miles

Diniar, Pramila, Windsor Belle, Windsor Prince, Mayya Devi Oriental Spotlight, Madhuri, Jawahir, Jane Jigar, Happy Go Lucky, Chakori, Je Reviens, Foxbrisse, Flotilla, Mubarak, Brave Prince, Quicksand, Post Master.

THE BIJAPUR PLATE. (Handicap Indian Horses, C III). 1 Mile, 1 Furlong

Goodwill, Windsor Park, Black Page Repartee, Dragon Seed, Churchill, Rajput Warrior, Tomcat Aan Baan, Baaz Bahadur, Khundil, Mandil Truman, Chocolate Baby Chin Up, Malakeh, Once Again, Pom Pom II Masked Player, The Judge, Adeline, Near Image.

THE LOVEGROVE PLATE. (Handicap, Indian Horses C IV). 6 Furlongs

Asoka, My Pet, Ajinkya Tara II Mirella, Ghizala, Laila, Invader, Hikmet, Sweetie Shah, Gori, Wood Nymph, Vie On, Carnival Queen Azad Hind, Bold Bandit, Padshah Begum, Princess of Hindustan, Princess Sheila, Just Wait, Tantalum, Gentle Whisper Blue Mist, Ayaaz, Queen of Gwalior, Dashera.

THE COLEYANA PLATE. (Handicap, Indian Horses, 4 years old and over, C V Maidens. 6 Furlongs

Kaumari, Supriya, Fowzia, Fair Rose, Chetna, Cinesina, Titina Flying Clipper, Vagabond Prince For Ever Amber, Mussoorie, Khyber, Izador Shanistah, Chandrakor, Revel On, On and On, Who Knows, Karan Royal Blessings, Bagatelle, Time Bomb, Blank Cheque, Crepe de Chine Midinette, Ma Cherie, Bella Padsha Post to Rost, Gipsy Flower, Magic Love, Jahan Zaib, Reuter, Poppet, Phone Again, Hind Vijay, London Tan, Jai Malhar, Gwalior Express Sinhgarh, Amar Hind, Whispering Cordial Icy Hot, Eileen Leading Lady, Yemin ul Mulk Red Spear, Ghaflah, Golden Pom Dark Roy, Full Poppy, Flash Ena, Morning.

This race will be divided into three divisions.

Two divisions to be ridden by Indian Jockeys, Half Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances.

One division to be ridden on even terms by Apprentice Jockeys who have not ridden 10 or more winners.

THE WORLI PLATE (Terms-Indian Fillies, 3 years old only. C-V) 6 Furlongs.

Whirlwind, Whirlpool, Florida True Love, Lizalee, Topflight, Madame Neim, Armina, Rukhsana, Sparkling Star, Aafrin, Salamat, Malka E-Alam, Kantaka, The Girl Friend, No No Nanette, Raj Luxmi, Janeman Piroza, Great Lady, Night Queen, Tabassum Rasili, Tamanna, Georgette, Belle Amie, New Look, Queen Elizabeth, Flying Miss, Grace Darling, Why Again, Anant Lakshmi, Striding Edge, Maleka Saheba, Lady Doctor, Happy Queen, V. Day.

This race will be divided into two divisions.

Handicaps For Saturday's Races

The following are the Handicaps for Bombay Races, Sixth Day, to be held on Saturday, March 5th.—

THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S CUP —THE INDIAN ST. LEGER. (Terms-Indian Colts and Fillies, 4 years old only), 1-3/4 Miles.

Balam 9-0, Prince of Ramgarh 9-0, Hindustan Zindazad 9-0, Aman 9-0, Take on 9-0, Crescent 9-0, Kotidhwaj 9-0, Fitna 8-11.

THE BYCULLA CLUB CUP. (Horses, C I and II). 1-3/4 Miles.

Priorate 9-12, Shahi Bag 9-8, Fortal 8-5, Pillar to Post 8-0, Gipsy Gem 7-10, Navvara 7-8, Kunigal Star 7-1, Pravina 7-1, Mimizan 7-1, Some Treasure 7-0, Mubarak 7-0, Quicksand 7-0, Flotilla 7-0.

THE CHIEF OF KAGAL MEMORIAL PLATE. (Horses, C I.) 7 Furlongs.

Laxmi Vilas 9-8, Crystal 9-4, Shan-E-Hind 8-6, Jaiwant 8-4, Coup d'Etat 8-1, Paper King 7-11, Zam Zam 7-9, Gipsy Gem 7-6

THE DHAR PLATE. (Indian Horses, C III). 1 Mile.

Adeline 9-3, Goodwill 9-3, Repartee 9-0, Near Image 9-0, Chocolate Baby 9-0, Aan Baan 9-0, Rajput Warrior 8-13, Black Page 8-12, Cocktop 8-11, Truman 8-11, Independence 8-8, Mandil 8-8, Khundil 8-7, Parthian 8-5, Tomcat 8-5, Bhopal Star 8-4, Find Out 8-2, Rana Pratap 8-1, Himalaya 8-0, Sohni 8-0, Dragon Seed 8-0, Paramount Power 7-13, Chin Up 7-12, Windsor Park 7-10.

To be ridden by Indian Jockeys, Half Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances.

THE C. JENNINGS PLATE. (Indian Horses, C IV). 1-1/4 Miles

Crescent 9-4, Game Bid 9-2, Nirvana 9-1, Filmindia 9-0, Courage 9-0, Moulin Rouge 8-11, Pan Supari 8-11, Blue Mist 8-10, Panditji 8-7, Snow On 8-6, Coeur d Or 8-6, Magnolia 8-5, Ariel Mail 8-4, Sir Galahad 8-4, Cockpit Pride 8-3, D. Day 8-3, Super Charge 8-2, Lady Cleopatra 8-1, Gold Ribbon 8-1, Just Wait 7-13 Blue Lotus 7-13, Gay Sire 7-12, Pataka 7-12, Windsor Knight 7-9, Luminous 7-8, Fashion Parade 7-8, Mardan 7-6, Hercules 7-2.

To be ridden by Indian Jockeys, Half Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances.

THE KHANDWA PLATE. (Indian Horses, C V. Winners.) 1 Mile Division I.

Battle Out 9-0, Marlow 8-13, Valiant Prince 8-12, Nasrullah 8-12, Kalpna 8-12 Battling Admiral 8-10, Court Dancer 8-9, Shirazi 8-7, Luminary 8-6, Her Excellency 8-5 Pure Emerald 8-5, Brilliant Sunshine 8-5, Golden Square 8-4, My Chance 8-3, Ginger Lady 8-3, Puri Pakodi 8-2, Pathan 7-13.

To be ridden on even terms by Apprentice Jockeys who have not ridden 10 or more winners.

THE KHANDWA PLATE. (Indian Horses, C V. Winners.) 1 Mile, Division II.

Big Hearted 9-4, Crown of Kolhapur 9-2, Pearl Mahal 9-1, Wet Bob 9-0, Broken Mask 9-0, Crescendo 8-12, Army and Navy 8-12, Galatea 8-8, Adorable 8-7, Home Spun 8-6, Lalaji 8-3 Lady in Waiting 8-0, Bright Maid 7-10 Missing Link 7-8, Miss Rutty 7-4, Yipee 7-2.

To be ridden by Indian Jockeys, Half Jockeys and Apprentice Jockeys with allowances.

THE DADAR PLATE. (Indian Horses, 3 years old, C IV and V. Winners). 6 Furlongs.

Manzoor 9-2, Play on 9-1, Viveca 9-1 Manisha 8-11, Rukhsana 8-10, Deuce of Clubs 8-8, Flying Princess 8-6 Whirlwind 8-5, Trumpeldor 8-4, Tamasha 8-3, Prince of Mahad 8-2, Onslaught 8-1, Pavan 8-0, King of Diamonds 8-0.

INTER-OFFICE TENNIS

Tournament Starts On 4th March

BOMBAY, Tuesday. The Inter-Office Tennis Tournament has attracted only eight entries this year.

The following is the draw:—

Ramnarayan Sons, A.C.C. Sports; Turner Hoare and Co., Mahindra and Mahindra; B.E.S.T., Tata Sports; Khatau Sports and Burmah Shell.

In view of the small number of entries received, the Tournament will start simultaneously at four different places on Friday 4th March, the semi-finals on Monday 7th March and the Finals will be held at the Cricket Club of India 8th March.

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Complain as little as possible of the wrongs done to you; for, commonly speaking, he who complains sins, because self-love always makes us believe the injuries done to us greater than they really are.

—ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

THE CHALLENGE OF COMMUNISM

Speaking on the Communist troubles, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru observed that the Government was more concerned with individuals than with organisations. As a proposition, it might be tenable but in actual practice it is difficult to apply. So far as the R.S.S was concerned, it was most definitely found necessary to deal with it as an organisation. The Communist position does not seem to be radically different. In fact, the policy of dealing with individuals is likely to cause greater hardship to the people as a whole and more detriment to the national economy than an organisational cleanup. If it is proved reasonably that people banded in an organisation are creating mischief, then there is no reason why the organisation should not be liquidated. After all it is the main purpose of the State to see which method is best calculated to achieve the objective. If liquidation of mischief-making organisations is likely to achieve the end, then it should be adopted. But in the present condition of the country, it is necessary that nothing should be done in a half-hearted way. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru mentioned both that the Communists were creating trouble and that the question of banning the organisation was under consideration. We cannot understand the difficulty which confronts the Government in putting out of action a party which has been discovered to be plotting against the State and regards no weapon as too outrageous to apply. There must be, as Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru observed, a limit to tolerance. One would have thought that that limit had been reached long ago. We have referred to the troubles that have been systematically disturbing the West Bengal Government to a stage of almost paralysis.

It was no small thing which the Prime Minister discovered in his speech. The wholesale dislocation of railways is in itself a serious enough project which merits drastic action. But when it is meant as a means of intensifying famine conditions and increasing the people's tribulations, then one might well wonder what more the Government is waiting for. It is true that banning a party will not solve all our problems. But it is equally true that not banning it will add to the difficulties of the administration. The General Budget which Dr. John Matthai presented to the Indian Parliament, is a very delicate financial balance that might be upset by much less than a railway strike. Now that the public has been told how the Communists desire to bring about a complete breakdown, it would be well to make all the facts known and then necessary and adequate action taken. The Prime Minister rightly observed that opinions should not be penalised. Unfortunately despite the Government's anxiety to observe this rule, it has not acquired the appropriate credit for it. The action on the railway strike is a case in point. The detention of Communists which was forced upon the Government, created an impression that those who voted for the railwaymen's strike in a free ballot where the men could give an opinion either way, were being penalised for that vote. Only explanations rendered later could correct this mischief. Whether it is better to act against organisations or persons is a point which can be argued. What there can be no argument about is the wisdom and commonsense of an administration acting with so much clarity that its deeds speak by themselves and need no interpretations.

Teaching The Blind

The education of children who are blind, otherwise physically disabled or mentally defective should be a concern of the state. The Government of India, accepting this principle, has directed its attention to the care of the blind. For guidance it has before itself, the comprehensive report of the Joint Committee appointed by the Central Advisory Boards of Education and Health. Education and vocational training should be the main stages in any scheme for the welfare of the blind. The education is of a specialised type as it requires the Braille alphabet. In his reply to a question in Parliament the other day, the Minister of Education, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad declared that a Uniform Indian Braille has been drawn up and its use has been recommended to all institutions for the blind in the country. Evidently he referred to the code which the Expert Committee has designed and to which the Central Advisory Board of Education has given assent. Although this code has been recommended to the institutions, all of them have not shown willingness to accept it. Objections on technical and practical grounds have been raised against it by some experts and persons experienced in the education of the blind. The consensus of expert opinion in this Province is against its acceptance. A resolution expressing disapproval of this code was passed by the First Provincial Conference for the Blind which was held in Bombay in last June.

There have been, in practice, for a long time, a few Indian Brailles which are based upon the order of the International Braille and which are, therefore, international in scope. Through them institutions have trained, with least difficulty blind students in Indian languages. The actual requirement of the day was, therefore, to secure maximum agreement among the existing systems by the adjusting of the differences between them; but the Expert Committee has instead, designed a code of its own which makes a departure from the principle upon which the popular Indian Brailles are based. The Expert Committee's Braille is designed with the aim of achieving uniformity in the training in Indian languages. For the sake of this Committee's concept of uniformity, institutions will be asked to forego what they have gained, and teachers and students, who have been trained according to the existing systems will have to make a fresh start. The Uniform Braille will circumscribe the possibilities of education of the blind to the limits of India; and moreover, it will repudiate, with a single stroke, the important work done by some of the early pioneers. Apparently, the Government has taken no notice of the disadvantages and limitations of the Uniform Braille and especially of the dissentient public. On the country, it has been praised the Expert Committee by recommending the new code to the institutions. The establishment of a Central Braille Printing Press for the publication of suitable literature and text-books is a laudable plan, but we suggest that it should not be undertaken until the question of the Braille is decided to the satisfaction of the different institution.

Since the Braille system has its limitations, literary education of the blind should be supplemented by the direct listen-and-learn method and by the modern devices of sound-recording and should be made to approximate to certain standards of school education facilities should be also offered to talented children to prosecute their studies to higher standards. Literary education of the blind should be such as to form a good background to the vocational training which is their main support. Prevention and treatment of blindness and the welfare of the blind are the two spheres, which though they impinge upon each other, should be clearly defined for the purposes of the division of social work. The joint committee has kept this principle in view while making proposals for the setting up of a special organisation. The organisation will be a Central Body and will be designated as the Indian Council on Blindness. Under the Council, there will be two Committees – one dealing with the prevention and treatment of and research into blindness and the other with welfare work. Such an organisation at the centre will have its counterparts in the Provinces and principal states with corresponding councils and committees acting in co-ordination with the Central Body. The Government of Bombay, it is gratifying to note, has taken the initiative in the matter of the prevention of blindness and welfare of the blind. It organises and periodical eye-camps in different districts and has also appointed a Provincial Council on Blindness; but we do not know why no publicity has been given to the working of this council and why the council has not taken notice of the prevalence, in the slum areas of Bombay, of nutritional diseases which affect the eyes and sometimes lead to the loss of vision. Bombay is known for its contribution to the cause of the welfare of the blind. The efforts made by its various institutions now need to be co-ordinated and well organised.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT.

Addressing the Congressmen, Sardar Patel expressed satisfaction over the agreement reached by the two groups in the State Congress and their solemn pledge to him to work collectively for the service of the State and its people. He exhorted the workers to keep the motto "service before self" and called upon them to sacrifice more for the sake of the people than for their own material gain.

—Hyderabad Report.

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Speaking on the Communists, the Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, said: "The House is well aware of the Communist revolts that have taken place in countries bordering on India. It was presumably in furtherance of the same policy that attempts were made in India to incite people to active revolt."

The Prime Minister must be militantly challenged as to the implications of his statement. The Communists in all the countries are not the devils that they are sought to be painted. They are plunging their respective countries in chaos and destroying lives and property of their respecive people, only, exclusively and effectively in a passionately patriotic effort to save both from—yes, Anglo-American Imperialism.

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In any action, added the Prime Minister, that Government may have to take, they will always remember that the working classes are the backbone of the country and that their general interests must not suffer.

This is inciting the working class to an anti-revolutionary attitude. The role and glory of the working class is to be bombs, bullets and fuel and to burst away in a higher cause.

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Monday's debate in the Indian Parliament on the Hindu Code Bill, centred, we note, on the rights and status of women.

And we are glad most of the speakers supported the provisions. Whatever gets women down to equality with men is entitled to the most enthusiastic welcome.

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Dr. Malan has refused to receive a deputation from churches and missions associated with Christian Council of South Africa to apartheid. For, he said, he considered the views expressed in resolutions and the terms in which they were expressed to be "extremely one-sided and exaggerated."

In fact, the views were extremely Christian. We understand and appreciate Dr. Malan's refusal.

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Dr. Malan said in a reference to "alleged demands of Scripture and Christianity" that he could not agree that such an interpretation could ever be the monopoly of any person or church or group of churches.

Even of Christ, who after all was non-White and whose words and interpretations, therefore, are obviously null and void.

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The Party Line has reached Britain. According to a London report, a British Communist leader, Mr. Harry Pollitt, was disclosed to have told a meeting of his party's National Executive that British Communists will side with Russia in the event of war and they will implement their stand with "strikes and councils of action."

What does Mr. Lester Hutchinson say?

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OSLO: According to knowledgeable military circles here, Norway proposes, as her contribution to the Atlantic Pact Security to enlarge the airfields at Sola, Gardermoen and Trondheim. .....U.P.I.

Good. I would be useful to both sides.

Importance Of Regional Co-operation Stressed

DR. EVATT ON INDO-AUSTRALIAN COMRADESHIP

Move To Mediate In Burma's Internal Trouble

NEW DEHLI, March 1 (A.P.I.):—The Australian Minister for External Affairs, Dr. Herbert Evatt in an informal talk with pressmen at Government House today emphasised the importance of regional consultations and understandings for the maintenance of peace and promotion of progress of the countries concerned. At the Dominion Premiers' Conference in London last September the idea of regional co-operation was affirmed and publicly encouraged.

DEHLI CONFERENCE

Dr. Evatt said: "Nobody will find the least satisfaction in the unhappy circumstances which led to the two recent Conferences in New Delhi, on Indonesia and Burma. What has happened is simply this: The two countries (India and Australia) in conjunction with others have made a concerted effort to prevent or mitigate hostilities within South East Asia and to assist in restoring a just peace which is threatened everywhere. In these two matters India and Australia have acted together not only as good neighbours but in strict accordance with the ideals of the British Commonwealth and the United Nations."

BURMA'S MISTAKE

"It is of course a matter for the Burmese people, but I think it was a mistake for Burma to have left the Commonwealth and I believe sooner or later Burma will possibly rejoin the Commonwealth", Dr. Evatt said.

Dr. Evatt said that Burma was represented at a Conference which took place in Australia in 1947 on Japan an her representatives made important contributions. Since then the political set-up had changed in Burma and one felt that the complete separation of Burma from the group of nations was wrong, even though it was entirely for the people of Burma to decide so.

JOINT REPRESENTATION

Dr. Evatt was sure that Pakistan would share in what was proposed to be done at yesterday's Conference. While he was not in a position to reveal details, he would say that the best positive step which could be taken was to suggest jointly to Burma and attempt to mediate in the very serious internal trouble which in a sense threatened the integrity of Burma and weakened the whole area. He added that steps were being taken with that end in view. He would discuss the matter with the Pakistan Government when he went to Karachi.

Asked if he foresaw any more binding steps between India and Australia in this regard, Dr. Evatt replied that if the question meant of any association or grouping of the states, then it was quite possible. He had always thought of such regional machinery because, by this method, matters of comon interest could be better attended to. The U.N.O. Charter encouraged permanent regional organisations and regular meetings, and with easy and quick communications that was possible. But it was a matter of development. They had already a South Pacific Commission which dealt with problems of common interest connected with the territories. South-east of New Guinea.

Earlier, Dr. Evatt said, "On two occasions recently, South-east Asian and South Pacific countries have given practical demonstration of their willingness to co-operate and work for the common good. It is of very great significance that no fewer than five of the important countries in this region are nations of the British Commonwealth. I am sure that both as neighbour nations in this area and as fellow nations of the Commonwealth, we will continue to act together in the furtherance of the peace and prosperity of South-east Asia and the Western Pacific.

TIES WITH INDIA

It has always been an object of Australian policy in relation to India to confirm and strengthen the close comradeship between our two countries made so evident in the common struggle of the British Commonwealth in two world wars. At all times our two countries have found themselves closely associated in external policy, and India and Australia are obviously agreed in their determination to play their part in the struggle for world peace—not peace at any price but a peace based on political and economic justice for all peoples.

"Always recognising the value of regional co-operation, both nations equally recognise the value of their association in the British Commonwealth. Australia and India have always insisted upon unwavering and unfaultering support for United Nations, having endeavoured at San Francisco, not without substantial success, to liberalise the great power draft of the Charter of the new world organisation.

"It is noteworthy that between India and Australia there has been a phenomenal increase in trade in the past decade!

COMPLEMENTARY NEEDS

India's need of foodgrains and Australia's need of jute and cotton are well known and are complementary. I should repeat Mr. Chifley's recent statement that Australian wheat is not used and will never be used for bargaining. Australia will send to India the maximum available, irrespective of what she wants or gets in return. In this way Australia has been able to help India, particularly with foodgrains, and to a lesser extent with manufactured goods. It is clear that Australia and India have complementary needs, and there is genuine goodwill in meeting one another's requirements as fully as possible.

OTHER TIES

There are more important relationships between us which are growing closer. Just before I left Canberra I had the honour of meeting a special mission of distinguished Indian scientists who are now returning the visit of an Australian delegation to India last year. I am happy to note the increasing number of Indian students who are stdying in our universities, and technical and agricultural colleges. We have encouraged that movement by offering a number of scholarships to students from India and other Asian countries.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Suggestions For Burma

We have already said that the insurrection in Burma is essentially a matter of domestic concern to the Government and people of Burma. But there are also involved in the peace and security of Burma certain interests of many other countries. Mediation therefore, can be justifiably offered provided the Government and people of Burma do not regard it as gratuitous interference. It is unfortunate that Burma was not represented at the New Delhi Conference and that no communications from Thakin Nu reached the conference in time. Even so the conference has unanimously formulated suggestions for exploring ways and means of finding a peaceful settlement in that country and has forwarded them to the Prime Minister of Burma in a joint communication. We have no doubt that those suggestions are designed in full friendship for Thakin Nu and in the best interests of the country. We are also confident that Thakin Nu is convinced of the bonafides of the Conference and of the sentiments of sympathy and friendliness of the Prime Minister of India for himself personally. It can, therefore, be hoped that those suggestions will find favour with him.

Choice Before Karens

As to the Karens, they ought by now to realise that their ill-advised method of trying to gain their objective by force of arms and general revolt has failed. All that they have so far achieved is the heavy burden on their back of alliance with Communists and so much loss and destruction to the people of Burma including themselves. Is this road to misery and senseless destruction worth while? And especially since the Government of Thakin Nu is not unsympathetic to the essentials of Karen ambitions? There is still time for them to revise their attitude and forsake the path of violent anti-Burma revolt for that of conciliation and compromise in the interests of all. The suggestions of the New Delhi Conference regarding ways and means of finding a peaceful settlement in Burma are an opportunity for both parties.

Truth Comes Out

Deliberately or otherwise, the Durban Riots Inquiry has been protected by conditions and reservation against the entry into it of damaging truths from the non-White side. That side has been forced away from the Inquiry. Yet truth has sometimes come out of the mouths of the White Man's own stooges and agents. Some days back one of the two African natives, who were put up to damn the Indians, blurted out the warning that, if Africans were not given the rights attaching to Indians, they will turn against Europeans! Now comes the report that a Zulu Chief has given the warning that, if further disturbances should break out, "there might be needless bloodshed—not only among coloured races but among Europeans as well. He also said that he had no quarrel with Indians and that many were his immediate neighbours. Two things were sought to be concealed that the African's violence was against economic and social conditions, under which really both they and Indians labour and secondly, that the disturbances were the result of incitement by others in the latter's own interests. Both things have been uncovered and exposed.

Kolhapur

At the integration ceremony of the Kolhapur State into Bombay Province, Mr. B. G. Kher, the Bombay Premier, struck a singularly happy note when he spoke of the entry of Kolhapur subjects into full Indian citizenship, equal and comparable to the status of any other Indian citizen. This is a point which is not commonly noted by leaders who tend either to ponder over the new responsibilities or to weigh the pros and cons of the change. Mr Kher wisely drew attention to the larger loyalty which claims the citizen of Bombay Province, and assured the newcomers of their share in the benefits of responsible and democratic Government. From this the Premier passed on to say a few words on the past glories of the Maratha State with great feeling. As for the future, Mr. Kher remarked that after the necessary temporary arrangement which would be as short as possible, the integrated territory would be administered as a district of Bombay. The lure of the Deccan States to the merged Kolhapur's integration marks a landmark in Bombay history. The remission of land revenue and the freeing of prisoners are the traditional Indian commemoration with which the Premier ended the ceremony.

Publicity Abroad

The subject of external publicity which was discussed in the Indian Parliament, is not as simple as the question and answer would suggest. It is not a matter of the persons employed on this job being journalists or not. It is a matter of the persons engaged in this work understanding two countries—the country they represent and the countries on which they have to work. There is to put it at its crudest, a salesmanship side which has to be considered and it has to be salesmanship of a high cultural order. How far care has been taken to put men at posts where they can function naturally and effortlessly is unknown. But there have been surprises both ways which show that there is necessary a great deal of caution in criticism. Not only is a great deal of money being spent on this work but, as Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel said in another context, a great amount of human energy is consumed in the embassies. It would be a pity if it all proved wasted effort. Generally speaking, it might be said that the kind of publicity that comes unsought is to be infinitely preferred to the kind which has to be wooed persistently. But that is another subject. The effect that official publications have on the public of other countries, is something which must be constantly checked. Usually it is negative.

OUR READERS' VIEWS

Totalitarian Trends

Sir,—Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda in a recent speech is reported to have said that under the present abnormal conditions an opposition party is not necessary. That is his idea of running Congress-Democracy. In another speech to Siddharth College students, he has described in accurate details the woes of the people. If such a description came from Socialists or any other set of people, it would be dubbed as making government 'weak'. Even articles in "Harijan" are prone to making Government 'weak'.

In the recent Ahmedabad municipal elections Congress was identified with country and Nehru's slogans of pre-freedom times were paraded to suit the Congress Party. All opposition was dubbed anti-patriotic. Muslims were led to believe that misfortune will fall on them if they voted for Socialists or Independents. Our Ministers in season and out of season expatiate on the virtues of Congress loyalty. Sardar Patel in a Madras speech has admonished Socialists for their advice to keep in abeyance but not to give up the weapon of strike though dejure he agrees to their right to strike. Genuine trade unionists are put in prison along with their sworn enemies, the Communists. Even persons, like Prof. Wadia who are critics of Government for their suppression of Civil Liberties, are non persona grata to Congress. Prof. K. T. Shah is a false prophet to them and is ridiculed in Congress ranks. The plea of emergency can be utilised for any length of time, and normalcy of Mr. Nanda's conception will not be reached at least up to 1950 adult franchise elections and fairly further thereafter. I would like our Congress well wishers to beware and the public to note these totalitarian trends to wake up betimes.—Yours, etc.

'ANALYST.'

Our Justices Of The Peace

Sir,—Last August our popular government brought out a new list of new J.P.'s and to the utter surprise of us all the old names were removed. Sir, I am an old pensioner and for my pension I have to submit my pension form with a J.P.'s endorsement every month. All my old J.P.'s have been knocked out and I find it very difficult to get my form endorsed. All the new gentlemen require personal acquaintance. I took a note from my old J.P., but I was informed that that gentleman was not known to the new J.P. Anyhow I managed to get my form signed as without my pension getting in time I would run into great hardship. In the certificate given to my old J.P., I have noticed the following words "Until the pleasure of the Government". One fails to understand what the old J.P.'s must have done to lose the pleasure of our popular Government all of a sudden.

I am sure there must be many more who might have experienced this difficulty, as all documents like pension forms, attesting vernacular signatures Thumb impressions and many such documents require attestations from a J.P. The J.P. serves the people in general and can be taken as public servants leaving aside the personal distinction and glorification.—Yours etc.

EBRAHAM JACOB.

'D' Route B.E.S.T. Buses.

Sir,—A Corporator has tabled a motion recommending to the B.E.S.T. Committee to start D Route buses from King's Circle instead of from Mahim. While bringing forth such a suggestion, the Corporator has totally overlooked the needs of the thousands and thousands of people living between Tilak Bridge and Mahim Creek, not to speak of those coming from beyond that who are dependent upon this service since its inception years ago. Moreover, D and A routes are the only vital links that Mahim has with Fort and other Southern areas. O route buses, though highly patronised by the public and very convenient for direct passengers, are always single deckers and few in number. It is only after intervals of twenty minutes (most often even more) that one can get these rare O route vehicles. F route takes a round-about course and no direct passenger to Girgaum or Fort goes in these buses unless compelled to do so.

Mahim, B. B. Matunga, Shivaji Park and B. B. Dadar areas definitely need 'D' route buses. Unlike King's Circle, Mahim has no tram connections with Dadar and other areas. Paying as he does, three times the fare paid by a King's Circle man, the Mahimwalla cannot easily get a conveyance to Dadar and other areas.

It is hoped that the City Fathers will think twice before they decide to divert 'D' route from Mahim. They can as well have another new route opened from King's Circle to Ballard Pier or can even extend 'J' route beyond Jacob Circle. But people from Mahim cannot be deprived of 'D' route or 'O' route. Of course, we can manage without 'D' route if the 'O' route is made a regular service with a fleet of double deckers and a number of shuttle services for intermediate areas.—Yours etc.

A. P. RAGHAVAN.

Competitive Examinations

Sir,—The amazing and for the Bombay Province the humiliating fact that in the last two competitive examinations for I.A.S. and class I services there has been not a single Gujerati and only a couple of Maharastrians shows that there is something seriously wrong somewhere.

I would like to point out the outset that this letter is not motivated by narrow provincialism. It is written with the sole purpose of correcting a state of affairs that the first class graduates of one province (owing to sheer ignorance of the existing opportunities) remain as clerks and small officers in Banks and Insurance companies whereas second class graduates of another province become the members of I.A.S. Income Tax Service etc. where the grades offered are ranging from Rs. 350/- to Rs. 1800/-. Moreover every province should give its quota of public servants just as it gives its quota of legislators in provincial and central assemblies.

It cannot be said that the candidates of Bombay Province are inferior in natural intelligence to those of others. It is necessary to find out however, and remove the causes for the present state of affairs. I list below the possible causes.

(i) It may be that there is some defect in the method and manner of the college and university education of this province.

(ii) The best students of this province are not sufficiently aware of these examinations. This is probably due to the fact that the date of the examination which require intensive study and preparation) is published only three months before the examinations and that too the advertisement is neither prominent nor repeated often. Moreover, the Federal Public Service Commission does not supply a copy of the rules except during those months. How can a candidate select his subject or make any favouritism at some level.

(iii) There is some nepotism or favouritism at some level.

I am sure you will agree that although policies will be framed by our legislators, administration will rest more and more in the hands of the public services with progressive nationalisation which seems to be the present times—Yours, etc.,

U. S. MEHTA

The Budget And Lower Middle Class

Sir,—Dr. John Mathai, while presenting the budget, admits that the middle class is hard hit due to inflation but what has he done really for the lower middle class?

To-day an annual income of Rs. 4,000 is not enough to make both ends meet for a small family of even three or four persons due to the high cost of necessities of life like milk, coal, etc., and increase in school fees.

He ought to have proposed that the initial income of Rs. 4,000 will not be subjected to any income tax if he really meant what he said in addition to the relief of three pies that is given to income below Rs. 10,000.—Yours etc

K. W. W.

OPEN AIR

There are numbers of Ladybird Beetles in my garden these days, not the bright red ones with black dots, to which I have been accustomed but, tiny creamish-yellow ones with zigzag black lines decorating their shining wing-cases. They hide in the centre of every flower, in the angle of every leaf, and fly out from each plant I touch! And very good friends they are to the gardener, for they always appear when the garden is infested with Aphis, or blight, as it is sometimes called. The Aphis live on our plants, sucking the juices from the tender stems and cause a lot of damage. The Ladybirds, in their turn, lay their eggs on the same plants, and their larvae, as well as the adult





insects, feed on the Aphis. It is unfortunate that many people do not realise how much good the Ladybirds do in this way, and that they are often destroyed. Most beetles are harmful in some way or another in the garden, and the useful ladybird suffers undeservedly for the sins of the other members of the family.

D. R.

PROHIBITION BILL PASSED IN BOMBAY ASSEMBLY

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if so, the quantity and the occasions when such use become obligatory.

The scope of the Committee's inquiry was confined only to Parsis and Christians. Adivasis and other backward classes did not come into the picture in this connection.

Great care had been exercised under the Bill to see that the exemptions given for these purposes were not misused.

Regarding the exemptions to the army, diplomatic services and to foreigners and visitors, the Minister said that Government' views had been expressed by the Premier and the Home Minister on the previous day.

PENAL CLAUSES JUSTIFIED

He justified the penal clauses of the Bill as adequate and necessary and said that the introduction of "whipping", "blacking the faces" etc, was not in consonance with progressive ideas of punishment.

Concluding the Minister said, "It is a noble cause blessed by noble people. In the mission of prohibition, I see the image of God. The members of this House will always rejoice that they were the instruments in the accomplishment of this noble cause".

The Bill was then read for the first time.

A motion by Mr. S. L. Karandikar for referring the Bill to a Select Committee and supported by certain non-Congress members, was rejected by the House.

At the second reading of the Bill, Mr. S. L. Karandikar said that one of the clauses in the Bill which provided that officers of the different departments must take orders from the Excise Commissioner, would lead to frictions and conflict. This did not appear to be a workable proposition.

'NO CONFLICT'

Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister, said, that in its actual working there would be no conflict. The Commissioner for Excise could only give orders to other departments in matters pertaining to prohibition. He did not even have the powers to take direct departmental action when his orders were not properly carried out, by the members of other departments Also, because the ministry carried joint responsibility, there was little chance of clashes and conflicts.

Mr. M. M. Bhatji expressed his fear that interim permits and visitors' permits were likely to be misused if as wanted these clauses to be deleted.

Mr. L. M. Patil said that Government would take fullest precautions in the issue of such permits, and safeguards against abuses.

Government moved about 44 amendment to the bill. Most of the amendments were explanatory and intended for the removal of ambiguities. By an amendment to the Bill and minimum sentence imposable for certain second offences against the Prohibition Law was raised to nine months from the original six months in the Bill; similarly for the third and subsequent offences the minimum was raised to one year.

By another amendment an order of detention for an offence against prohibition, can not be called in question in any court, except on the ground that the procedure prescribed in the Bill was not followed.

The Bill passed through all the stages.

A Bill to amend certain laws in this application to certain areas merged in the Bombay Province which was already passed through its first reading was passed for the second and the third time. The House then rose for the day.

Consembly To Be Formed In Persia

TEHERAN, March 1 (PTI-Reuter): The Shah of Persia, Mohammed Reza Pahlevi, has issued a decree ordering the formation of a Constituent Assembly, today by Premier Muhammed Saed.

The Shah's earlier suggestions for a Constituent Assembly to effect changes in the constitution had been welcomed by ministers and leading members of government parties.

The Shah has already issued a decree ordering elections before July this year.

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GOVERNMENT are in a position to sell departmentally produced grass of fair quality at Byculla at Rs. 45 per 1,000 lbs. Cattleowners and institutions like Pinjrapoles, etc. in need of this grass may apply to the Director of Civil Supplies, Secretariat, Bombay, when allocation of this grass will be made to deserving persons and institutions.

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CHARCOAL AND FIREWOOD LICENCES

THE CHARCOAL and FIREWOOD dealers, who have applied for a licence under the Bombay Charcoal and Firewood Trade Licensing Order, 1949, and who are entitled to get a licence are informed that these licences are now ready. They should produce the respective licence fee receipts and deposit receipts and take away immediately their licences from the Office of the Assistant Director of Civil Supplies (Charcoal and Firewood), near Japanese Gymkhana, 6-A, Cooperage, Bombay.

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PROMOTION DUE TO "GOOD RECORD OF SERVICE"

Cross Examination In Alleged Morarka Bribery Case: Inspector Miranda's Reply

BOMBAY, Tuesday:— The accelerated promotion that he received from Sub-Inspector to Deputy Inspector and later to Inspector was entirely due to his "consistently good record of service" and not because of the "wild publicity" sought or otherwise, that he received from the press in the Morarka Bribery Case, Inspector C. J. Miranda of the Anti-Corruption Branch of the Bombay C.I.D. today told the Chief Presidency Magistrate, Bombay.

Inspector Miranda was answering questions put to him by the defence counsel Mr. K. M. Munshi during cross examination in the well-known Morarka Bribery Case in which Mr. Gokulchand Dwarkadas Morarka and Rao Saheb Damjibhai Shah are being prosecuted for attempting to bribe Inspector Miranda by offering him Rs. 1,00,000 cash, so that he might get a case against Morarka under the Demonetisation Ordinance quashed.

Inspector Miranda said that he had handled several sensational cases including the bribery case, and whatever publicity he received was not of his seeking.

LONG SERVICE

He said that he was originally in the Excise Department and in 1939 when prohibition was started he was transferred to the Police Department as Sub-Inspector. Later on he joined the Anti-Corruption Branch in 1946 and was appointed Deputy Inspector in April 1947. He was made Inspector in May last year and the Ministry of Home Affairs Special Recruitment Board selected him for the Indian Police Service in January this year.

The Morarka Bribery Case which he handled was a sensational case, said Inspector Miranda. He had also handled another sensational case in 1947. It was an excise conspiracy case.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

Defendant: Because the offer made was so fabulous, you thought it was a sensational case? Yes.

Defendant: You got the impression that as the central figure in the case sufficient limelight would be thrown on you?— I have figured in several sensational cases.

Defendant: Were you offered Rs. 10 lacs in any other case? — No.

Defendant: Incidentally, it gave your superiors a good opinion of you?—My superiors have always had a good opinion of me. This case might have added to their opinion.

Defendant: Is it part of your duty to advertise the methods adopted by the Anti-Corruption Branch in finding out offenders?— No, not the methods.

Defendant: Is it a policy of the Branch to tell the world the method of trapping the offenders? — No.

Defendant: Is it permissible for an officer to advertise a case when it is sub-judice?— No.

Defendant: Do you furnish your photographs to newspapers?— In connection with an award I received, a paper took my picture.

Defendant: Is it your practise to give copies of remand applications to pressmen before making arrests?— Only after arrests are made.

Defendant: Is it also a practice to give remands applications to reporters before the persons are put up in court? — Personally, I have not done it. They might have got facts by going to the department.

Mr. Miranda said that he had not given any interview to the Press in connection with the case, thereupon the Defence counsel produced a Bombay weekly and read out extracts to show that a summary for the whole evidence before the Magistrate had been reported in it. The facts mentioned in the paper were not found in the remand application.

Here was an Inspector, Mr. Munshi said, who has been either advertising himself or allowing himself to be advertised against all canons of which an officer should observe when the case is sub-judice. It appeared to him that it was a method of obtaining promotion by publicity.

Mr. B. D. Boovariwala, counsel of prosecution stated that the reports appearing in papers were mere sensationmongering. They had first to be proved as statement of facts and moreover, it appeared a long time after the incident.

Defendant: Did you give an interview of the work of the Anti-Corruption Branch to the All India Radio? With the permission of the Inspector-General I gave an interview on June 6, '48. A general reference to the working of the Branch was made.

Defendant: In your recollections was any other officer asked to offer such an interview? Yes, the Commissioner of Police.

Further cross-examination was at this stage postponed till tomorrow. Earlier, Mr. Miranda answered various questions relating to the demonetisation case.

Mr. Munshi was assisted by Mr. E. B. Ghaswalla, Mr. C. N. Kanuga, Sir H. P. Dastur, Mr. J. P. Dastur and Mr. H. P. Desai.

UNIFORM LAND TENURE FOR WHOLE OF INDIA

NEW DELHI March 1 (API): The Congress Agrarian Reforms Committee which concluded its five-day session today is understood to have arrived at unanimous decisions regarding a uniform land tenure in the whole of India after the abolition of Zamindari. The tentative recommendations of the Committee will, however, be finalised at the next meeting some time in April next after the Committee makes a tour of East Punjab.

Recommendations of the Committee will be published in several volumes when they are finalised.

PLEA FOR DEPOSING NIZAM

Hyderabad Scheduled Caste Leaders' Deputation To Sardar

HYDERABAD (Dn.) March 1 (API) —A plea for deposition of the Nizam of Hyderabad was made in a memorandum submitted by Mr. J. M. Subbaiah, President of the Hyderabad State Scheduled Castes Federation, when he waited in deputation along with four other representatives of the scheduled Castes on Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel at the Belaram Residency yesterday.

Mr. Subbaiah also pleaded for disintegration of the State into linguistic regions and the merger of those regions into contiguous areas of the Indian Union to form linguistic provinces.

If the question of disintegration of the State was not decided immediately, Mr. Subbaiah urged that people's representatives should be taken into the present Caretaker Government.

Complete Unification Of Deccan Has Come About

KOLHAPUR, March 1 (A.P.I.): Complete unification of the Deccan, involving an aggregate area of 10,880 square miles and population of nearly three millions was accomplished today when Kolhapur State, Premier State of the Deccan, was officially integrated into Bombay Province with Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay, taking the salute at an inaugural parade.

Kolhapur has an area of 3,230 square miles and a population of twelve lakhs. Its revenue is rupees one crore and twenty-eight lakhs.

The Government of Bombay have appointed captain V. Nanjappa as chief administrator and Mr. P. B. Patil and Rao Saheb Ghulam Rao Deshmukh as administrators who shall act under the orders of the chief administrator.

The day was declared a public holiday throughout the State.

Dr. Evatt For Karachi

KARACHI, March 1 (API): The Australian Minister for External Affairs, Dr. Herbert Evatt, is arriving here tomorrow evening. He is expected to hold informal talks with the Pakistan Government on the situation in Burma and will also appraise it of the decisions taken at the informal conference in New Delhi on Monday. During his stay here he will be the guest of the Prime Minister, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan.

I. P. T. A. EXPELS 17 WORKERS

Communist Tactics To Dominate Body

THE GUJERATI GROUP OF THE BOMBAY BRANCH OF THE INDIAN PEOPLES' THEATRE ASSOCIATION HAS BEEN VIRTUALLY BROKEN UP BY THE REPORTED EXPULSION OF MR. VISHNUKUMAR VYAS, SECRETARY AND 16 OTHER ACTIVE WORKERS OF THE GROUP AT A GENERAL BODY MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE IPTA, HELD AT THE DEODHAR SCHOOL OF MUSIC ON SATURDAY NIGHT.

IT IS STATED THAT THIS STEP WAS THE RESULT OF THE ATTEMPT OF THE COMMUNIST SECTION OF THE IPTA TO GET ABSOLUTE CONTROL OF THAT ORGANISATION.

It is further reported that as a part of this move Mr. K. A. Abbas, one of the promoters of the IPTA and at present vice-president of the All India Body and a member of the Executive of the Bombay Branch, has been dubbed "inactive" and the general meeting refused to renew his membership.

Mrs. Durga Khote presided over this meeting.

It is stated that for a long time a struggle has been going on inside the IPTA between those who thought that the organisation could and would "function as an open platform for all artists to develop the Theatre Movement of the country" and the Communist members who used the IPTA as another vehicle of Communist propaganda. Things having reached ahead 17 out of the 25 members of the Gujerati section decided to tender their resignation before "an administrative cock-fight" developed. But their resignations were not accepted.

A meeting of the All India Executive of the IPTA was held at Allahabad on January 23 and it is believed that decisions affecting such cases were taken at that meeting. A general body meeting of the Bombay Branch was called for Saturday and Sunday and the resigned members were excommunicated, bell, book and candle.

The resigned members have since issued a statement explaining their position and pointing out that they had become convinced that "the old slogans are mere illusions", and that communist domination of the IPTA had made it impossible for independent artists to function within that organisation.

The artistes affected by these dark doings are Miss. Chandrika Thakore, Mrs. Leela Jariwala and Messrs. Vishnukumar Vyas, Chapsibhai Nagda, Chandrakant Sanghani, Mansukh Shah, Chaturbhuj Gosher, Rajanikant Jani, Ratilal Shah, Pratap Mehta, Lalu Shah, Pratap Ozha, Yeshwant Raval, Bhawanji Munnavar, Madhusudhan Thakkar, V. M. Jariwala and Kanti Mehta.

The signatories to the statement are now casting about for ways and means to start an independent organisation, under whose auspices, they could resume the thread of their artistic activity, snapped by communist intolerance.

DOCKERS STAGE PROTEST DEMONSTRATION

Demand Early Redress Of Grievances

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A half-mile long procession of over 10,000 Dock and Port Trust Workers marched from Carnac Bunder, this afternoon, winding their way through the principal streets and roads of the city and assembled in a mass rally at Chaupatty sands in the evening.

DEMAND FOR RELEASE OF LEADERS

Shouting slogans demanding the release of Dock Workers' Union leaders and increased dearness allowance and continuation of grain concession and with banners and placards of the Socialist Party, the demonstrators peacefully marched for nearly two hours in the afternoon. They were led by the Socialist Party leaders Mr Ashok Mehta and Mr. Moiuddin Harris, and the leaders of four dock and port trust workers Unions, Mr. Dinkar Desai and others who had organised today's demonstration as a mark of protest against the withdrawal of grain concession to workers by the Bombay Port Trust and continued detention of Mr. DeMello, General Secretary of the Bombay Dock Workers' Union and other leaders under Public Security Act.

Armed police pickets led by officers, however, followed the demonstrators and kept a close watch on the processionists.

WORK AFFECTED

The work of loading and unloading cargo in the docks was considerably affected today by the absence of more than 2,500 workers of the Bombay Port Trust and nearly 2,800 stevedores and crane drivers, who had all come out in response to the call of four principal unions of Dock and Port Trust Workers.

At the Bombay Port Trust, hardly a thousand dock workers belonging to the Indian National Trade Union Congress were present this morning, while about 800 stevedores who reported for duty were rendered idle by the total absence of crane drivers from the docks. Strong armed police pickets guarded the premises of the Bombay Port Trust and all the principal docks in the city.

OPTION FORMS

A spokesman of the Bombay Port Trust told a reporter of this paper that all employees of the Bombay Port Trust were given option forms two months back to give their considered opinion individually whether full grain concession should be discontinued and only seven per cent out of 12,000 option forms received by the Bombay Port Trust favoured continuation of grain concession. He, therefore, could not understand why this demonstration was organised by various dock workers' unions in the city. He said that over 11,200 out of 12,000 dockers who gave their option forms had clearly stated that they would opt for increased dearness allowance and payment of a lump sum of Rs. 120 instead of the present grain concession.

ASOKA MEHTA'S DEMANDS

Addressing the meeting at Chaupatty in the evening, Mr. Ashok Mehta, who presided, congratulated the workers for their stupendous success of the strike and said that the unity of workers thus established could not be broken by the employers or their henchmen.

Mr. Mehta explained the demands of the dock and port trust workers and said that unless these demands were conceded by Government and Port Trust authorities, there would be continued discontent among dock labour.

The meeting adopted a resolution of condemning the action of Government in continuing incarceration of Union leaders and demanding their immediate release and warning Government against the new Bill introduced to the Central Legislature banning all strikes, and continuation of grain concession to port trust workers.

Stop Press

N. ATLANTIC SECURITY PACT

WASHINGTON, March 1, (PTI-Reuter):— Representatives of seven nations met at the United States State department today to work out the final drafts of the North Atlantic Security Pact.

Bombay Council

Flat In Marine Drive Figures In Proceedings

HOME MINISTER REPLIES TO QUESTIONS REGARDING REQUISITIONING OF "HEMPRABHA"

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Several questions eliciting information regarding a flat in the building, Hemprabha, at Marine Drive, now occupied by Mr. Davabhai V. Patel, were asked in the Bombay Legislative Council, today by Mr. Shantilal H. Shah, M.L.C., Broach and Panch Mahals and answered by Mr. Morarji Desai Home and Revenue Minister to the Government of Bombay, who is also in charge of the Requisitioning Department.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. (a) Whether it is a fact that flat No. 15 of the building known as Hemprabha, Marine Drive, Bombay, was requisitioned by Government on 1st February, 1945, and the occupant thereof a widow was elected.

Ans: Yes. But the requisition order in respect of this flat was issued on 1st November 1944, but only the possession of the flat was delayed till 1st February 1945, as the occupant had moved the High Court in the matter.

(b) Whether it is a fact that the said premises were then allotted to Mr. Saryuprasad Mehta, the then Deputy Police Superintendent at Ahmedabad who was apointed as Textile Commissioner, in Bombay.

Ans:—Yes.

(c) Whether it is a fact that Mr. Saryuprasad Mehta was transferred from Bombay.

Ans:—Yes.

(d) If so, whether at the time of his transfer, he vacated the said premises and handed over the possession, thereof to Government.

Ans:—No.

(e) Whether it is a fact that after his transfer Mr. Saryuprasad Mehta put his brother or some other relative of his in occupation of the premises.

Ans:—Yes, Mr. Mehta's wife, children and brothers continued to occupy the flat.

(f) If not, who occupied the said premises thereafter and under whose authority.

Ans:—In view of reply to (e) above the question does not arise.

(g) If the answer to (e) is in the affirmative, whether it is a fact that his said relative was also in occupation of other premises at Santa Cruz.

Ans:—Not to the knowledge of this Deepartment.

(h) If so, why the premises were not de-requisitioned and handed back to the original tenant when Mr. Saryuprasad Mehta was transferred from Bombay.

Ans:—In view of reply to (g) above, the question does not arise.

VARIOUS OCCUPANTS

(i) Who were the various persons who occupied or are in occupation of the premises from the date of the requisition of the said premises up to date, and the respective periods during which the said premises were occupied by them.

Ans:—From the 1st February 1945 to 11th June 1948, Mr. S. U. Mehta and the members of his family. From 12th June 1948 to 3rd August 1948, in possession of Government. From 4th August 1948 to date, Mr. Dayabhai V. Patel.

(j) Whether all the persons referred to in (i) were put in possession of the premises by Government.

Ans:—Yes.

(k) If not, what action Government proposes to take against Mr. Saryuprasad Mehta for not handing over possession of the premises given to him for his own use and for putting unauthorised persons in occupation.

Ans:—Since Mr. Mehta did not vacate the flat, he was evicted from there and the flat was taken over by the Government. No other action is contemplated against him.

ALLOTMENT OF PREMISES

(l) Which is the officer of Government who looks after the allotment of requisitioned premises and what action such officer has taken to check the actual occupation of the premises from time to time.

Ans:—The allotment of the premises in question was made by the Deputy Secretary, Revenue Department. The work has since 1947 been transferred to this Department. Immediately on receipt of information that Mr. Mehta was transferred out of Bombay, enquiries were intiated by the Under-Secretary, Revenue Depatment, to find out what happened to the premises. There is no system of periodical checks in respect of the premises requisitioned and allotted.

(m) Whether Government proposes to take suitable action against the officer concerned for not looking after the allotment of premises properly.

Ans:—From reply to (l) above, it will be seen that the officer concerned had taken prompt steps as soon as information was received by him, regarding Mr. Mehta's transfer. No question of taking action against him would thus arise.

(n) Whether it is a fact that the original tenant Bai Shantibai Parikh, had made several petitions to Government dated 28th September 1946, 12th September 1947 and applications dated 2nd, 22nd and 31st December 1947 to various officers and ministers of the Government.

Ans:—Of these her representations of 28th September 1946 and 12th September 1947 are on record. Her applications of 2nd, 22nd and 31st December 1947 are not, however, on the office file.

o) Whether it is a fact that the only reply given to her was that the flat continued to be in requisition.

Ans:—Yes.

(p) Whether before such reply was given any inquiry was made about the person, in occupation of the flat, about the necessity of continuing the requisition and why the flat was not restored to the original tenant, in preference to those who had subsequently come into possession of the flat without any authority.

Ans:—The flat continued to be in occupation of Mr. Mehta and his family till June 1948. The question of allotment of the flat to somebody else arose only after the possession was taken over by Government. Thereafter the flat was allotted to Mr. Dayabhai V Patel, by Government. No unauthorised person thus had at any time come into possession of the flat. Mrs. Shantibai Parekh's request for derequisitioning the flat was considered before that date and she was informed as far back as April 1948, that he request could not be granted.

(q) Whether Government has considered the advisability of restoring the flat to the original tenant by derequisitioning.

Ans:—Reply to this is included in (p) above.

The following members were nominated to the panel of Chairman:—Mr. Sonusingh Patil, Sir Behram Karanjia and Mr. Alibhai Patel.

BUDGET BILL PRESENTED

Mr. V. L. Mehta, presented the Budget Bill for the approval of the House, the debate on which will be held on Wednesday at 2-30 P.M.

IS "VANASPATI" HARMFUL?

Central Govt. Conducting Test

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

That the Food Ministry of the Government of India, were conducting experiments to find out whether "vanaspati" or vegetable products were harmful to the human system, was the answer given by Mr. G. D. Tapase, Minister for Industries, Fisheries and Backward Classes, Government of Bombay in reply to a question put by Mr. R. N. Mandlik, M.L.C. Kolhacum-Ratnagiri, in the Bombay Legislative Council, which commenced its session, today.

The Minister stated that in the province there were seven "vanaspati" factories, manufacturing de-hydrogenated "ghee".

Replying to another question by the same member, whether Government had considered the advisability of taking immediate steps to save people from the detrimental effects from the use of "vanaspati", the Minister said that the matter would be considered when definite scientific opinion was available on the question whether "vanaspati" was injurious to the human system.

Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister for Health and Public Works answering a question by Mr. Mandlik said that the total number of leper asylums and hospitals in the province was nine. There were, however, no colonies for lepers in the province.

The Home Minister, Mr. Morarji Desai, replying to a question by the same member emphatically denied a report appearng in a section of the press that Congressmen were interfering with the administration of justice.

NEW DELHI, March 1, (API):— The export of jute goods to Spain were permitted on a definite and unqualified official assurance against any possible re-export from Spain, it was officially declared today.

People IN THE NEWS

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, March 1.

The Governor of Bombay received Mr. G. B. L. Bhatnagar and Mr. P. C. Tarapore.

The Raja and Rani of Jubbal, Madame Montessori, Mr. and Mrs. Montessori, Mr. Himmat Singh and Mr. Manilal Natesan came to lunch.

Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhirst, Lady Elmhirst, Miss Elmhirst and F/Lt. S. P. Mehta, Lady Hydari, Major J. C. Dhamija, Major-General and Mrs. J. N. Chaudhuri Captain Bijal Singh have arrived.

Rani Maharaj Singh presided over the Annual General Meeting of the National Indian Association at Government House.

The Governor attended a reception given by Mr. and Mrs. Ramdeo Anandilal Podar at the Cricket Club of India.

Major-General and Mrs. D. S. Brar, Sir Jamshedji and Lady Duggan, Brigadier and Mrs. Madhuvsinhji, Mr. H. N. Patel and Wing Commander and Mrs. Patnaik came to dinner.

W. BENGAL DIRECTOR OF PUBLICITY

CALCUTTA, March 1, (A.P.I.) The Government of West Bengal have appointed Mr. Amal Home, Editor of the Calcutta "Municipal Gazette", as the Director of Publicity. Mr. Home has been the Editor of the "Municipal Gazette", the official organ of the Calcutta Corporation since 1924, when it was founded by the late Deshbandhu Chittaranjan Das, the first Mayor of Calcutta.

DR. EVATT

NEW DELHI, March 1, (A.P.I.): Dr. Herbert Evatt, Australian External Affairs Minister, accompanied by Mr. H. R. Gollan, Australian High Commissioner in India, visited Rajghat today and laid a wreath on Mahatma Gandhi's 'Samadhi'.

DR. OTTO WENGER

KARACHI, March 1, (A.P.P.): Doctor Otto Wenger, Special Representatives of the International Red Cross Committee, arrived here from Lahore this morning and will leave for Bombay by air tomorrow, from where he will fly to Geneva.

PAKISTAN GOVERNOR-GENERAL

RISALPUR, March 1, (U.P.I.): The Governor-General of Pakistan, Mr. Nazimuddin, arrived here by Air from Karachi today. He was received by the Governor of the N.-W.F.P., Mr. Ambrose Dundas, Provincial Ministers and other civil and military officials.

KING GEORGE

LONDON, March 1, (PTI-Reuter): King George the Sixth, holding an investiture at Buckingham Palace today, remained seated throughout to ease the strain on his legs. It was his first full official function since his illness.

STATE AID FOR REFUGEE WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Centre's Directive To Provincial And State Governments

NEW DELHI, March 1 (API): All destitute women and children will now be provided for by Governments of provinces or states where such refugees reside, according to the instructions issued by the Government of India to Provincial and State Governments.

The Government of India have desired that these refugees should be given training of a productive character so that the cost of their maintenance is progressively reduced.

The Government have also asked the Provincial and State Governments to take immediately a census of refugee orphan children who are either on the roads or in the hands of undesirable persons, so that steps can be taken for their maintenance, education etc. It has been suggested to various Governments that special homes for such children should be set up in each province or state under the management of tried social workers. Until such homes are established all Governments have been requested to make immediate arrangements for providing temporary shelter to those refugee children who are absolutely uncared for.

106 RED LOCKED UP SO FAR

PATNA, Feb. 28 (A.P.I.): One hundred and six Communists have been arrested in Bihar so far, it is learnt.

It is officially learnt that today's searches in Patna were in connection with the drive to roundup Communists and did not have any special significance.

Important documents are understood to have been recovered from prominent Communist leaders at Dinapur, Kathihar and other parts of the province.

STAGE SET FOR PEACE TALKS IN CHINA

Reds Appoint Representatives

NANKING, March 1, (PTI-Reuter): Dr. Shao Li Tse, member of the Government's Peace Delegation and former Ambassador to Moscow, is expected to returned soon to Communist-held Peiping for the second phase of preliminary peace talks.

The Communists are said to have appointed as peace representative General Chouhen Lai, veteran negotiator, Mr. Tung Pi Wu, head of their north China Government, General Yeh Chien Ying, Mayor of Peiping, and General Lin Piao, Conqueror of Manchuria.

'RED' ATTEMPT TO CROSS YANGTSE

Chinese Communist columns just north of the Yangtse river were today reported marching south to an easy crossing place forty miles east of Nanking.

Government troops manning defences at Chinkiang, on the opposite bank, were immediately alerted.

The Kuomintang (Government Party) newspaper "Shun Pao" published an unconfirmed report today that early last month left-wing Chinese, including Communists, plotted to imprison Acting President Li Tsung-Jen and overthrow the Government to pave the way for a Communist crossing of the Yangtse, last natural barrier before the great cities of Nanking and Shanghai.

Security forces smashed the plot by arresting over twenty suspects in Shanghai and Nanking, the paper added.

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KEROSENE QUANTUM

THE VALUES of Kerosene Units on various Ration Documents for the month of March, 1949 have been fixed, as shown below:—

	Per Unit	Per Ration Document.
K(L) Card (Lighting Purposes)	1 gallon	—
K(L) Business Card (Lighting Purposes)	—	2 gallons
K(H) Card (Non-Lighting Purposes)	2 gallons	—
K(H) Permit (Non-Lighting Purposes)	—	5 gallons.

BOMBAY Stock Exchange

SCATTERED SELLING IN TATA STEEL SHARES

BOMBAY, March 1.

The local Share Bazar was quiet to-day under the influence of disquieting reports from Calcutta. There was only routine trading as the Budget failed to have any marked effect on the price structure.

The announcement of Budget proposals remove one uncertain factor from the horizon but in the absence of constructive development, there was utter absence of any important support.

Tata Steel Defds fluctuated between Rs. 1612/8 and Rs. 1605 while Ordinary shares were quoted at Rs 286 Bombay Dyeings were quiet at Rs. 917/8 and Kohinoors were done at Rs. 276 while Swadeshi shares were placed at Rs 271.

Indian Irons declined at Rs. 22-11 and Bengal Steels were placed at Rs. 20-10 Bombay Dyeings steadied at Rs. 920. Central Indias were quoted at Rs. 236-4 and Gokaks came 1. business at Rs. 279-6 Simplex Shares were quoted at Rs. 176

Tata Power Shares were quoted at Rs. 1516-4 and Associated Cements were placed at Rs. 150. Bellapurs were quoted at Rs. 213-12. Bombay Burmas stood at Rs. 273-12 and Scindia Shares declined at Rs. 17-10. New India Shares were quoted at Rs. 64.

FORWARD SECTION

MILL SHARES		
Bombay Dyeing (12)	920	0
Kohinoor Mills (6)	275	12
Swadeshi Mills (22)	271	0
Central India Mill (4)	235	0
Simplex Mills (8)	176	4
New Great Eastern (10)	159	0
Indore (9 plus 3)	170	0
Gokak Mill (20)	279	8
Century Spinning (18)	236	4
Colaba (12)	149	0
India Bleaching (6)	154	0
Swan Mills (20)	313	0
Finlay Mills (15)	272	0
Morarji Goculdas XD	450	0
Edward Sasson (20) XR	240	0
Meyer (12) XD	110	0
Apollo Mills (As. 4)	2 13	9
Indian United Defd. (1-10)	1	9
India United Ord (0-12-0)	10 11	9
Madhusudhan Mills (15) XD	175	0
Podar (8)	143	12
Khatau Makanji (8)	206	1
Indore Coupon	84	0
STEEL SHARES		
Tata Steel Ord. (14)	286	0
Tata Steel Defd. (64-15)	1607	8
Tata Steel 2nd Pref. (7-8)	140	0
CEMENT		
Associated Cement (6)	150	0
INDUSTRIES		
Burma (12-8)	271	14
Belapur Sugar (9)	211	0
Shivrajpur Syndicate (1-8)	28	0
Scindia Steam (0-8)	17 9	6
Premier Construction	109	0
Tata Chemical	12	0
Tata Oil (2)	65	8
Indian Iron (0-12)	22	12
Bengal Steel (0-8-0)	20	5
British India Corp. (0-14)	8	5
I. Copper	2	3
Wimco AR	183	2
Alcock	260	0
Belapur Coupon	64	0
ELECTRIC SHARES		
Tata Power (50)	1512	8
Andhra Valley (45)	1430	0
Tata Hydro	154	0

CASH SECTION

COTTON MILLS		
Elphinstone Mills (5)	65	0
Phoenix Mills (50) XR	206	4
Indian Manufacturing	4300	0
Kooras Mills (8)	120	0
New City Mills (10)	196	4
Minerva	122	8
[illegible]	[illegible]	
Bharat Mills (2)	31	12
Bharucha Defd. (0-4)	4	12
Bharat Mills (2)	32	8
Mysore Spg. Mills (8)	173	8
Madhavji Dharmsi (0-12)	14	4
Model Mills (12-8)	182	8
Laxmi Cotton (25)	605	0
Vishnu Cotton (8)	215	0
Western India (40)	4070	0
Sholapur Mills (200)	3300	0
Sassoon Cotton Mills (0-8)	[illegible]	
Hindustan Mills (40)	6225	0
Tata Mills (3)	60	0
Ahmedabad Advance Old (9)	256	12
Ahmedabad Advance New	196	0
Sassoon Silk (3)	77	8
New Union Mills (0-8)	12	0
Madhusudan S (2-8)	30	0
Srinivas Mills (8)	175	0
[illegible] (4)	[illegible]	
Berar Mills	280	0
Victoria Mills	225	0
Crescent Land Coupon	42	0
New Great	156	0
ELECTRICS (CASH)		
Ahmedabad Electric (1-8)	130	0
Ahmedabad New	18	12
Surat Electricity (2-8)	147	8
Karachi Electric (2)	131	4
[illegible]	10	12
Ajmer Electricity (0-8)	10	8
Broach (0-5)	10	12
[illegible] Electricity (1 12)	20	0
[illegible] Electric Supply (8)	150	0
Bombay Suburban (3)	157	8
Bombay Suburban (3) XD	141	8
BANK SHARES		
Imperial Bank of India (35)	1365	0
Imperial Bank of India P.P. (8-12)	462	8
Central Bank	87	8
Central Bank New (1-8)	85	0
Bank of India (4) XR	196	8
Union (0-8)	8	0
Bank of Baroda (2-8)	141	0
[illegible] Bank (1-8)	45	0
United Commercial (1-8)	57	8
Jaipur Bank (1-8)	35	8
[illegible]	40	12
Mysore Bank (8)	305	0
Exchange Bank (1-8)	20	8
Eastern Bank [illegible]	105	0
INSURANCE		
Oriental (125) XD	4200	0
Empire (10)	470	0
New India (1-8)	62	8
Jupiter (1-4)	18	8
Vulcan (0-10)	11	11
Indian Mercantile (2)	20	0
Universal (0-4)	11	8
B.I.G. (1)	18	0
Industrial and Prudential	20	0
Neptune Assurance	5	8
New Great	20	8
All India General	17	4
RAILWAY SHARES		
Central Provinces (1-14)	112	12
Pachora Jamner Rly (2-8)	120	4
MISCELLANEOUS SHARES		
Bombay Steamer (10)	340	0
Bombay Burma New (5)	104	12
Burma Petrol	1-10	3
Mackinnon (6)	[illegible]	
Port Canning (3)	62	0
Kemp and Co. (New)	462	0
Kemp and Co (New)	462	8
Sandu Pharmacy (7)	18	0
Industrial Invest Trust (4)	89	0
Dharamsey Chemical (2)	36	4
Mukund Iron	18	0
Dena Trust (0-12)	18	0
Alembic (15)	197	8
Swastic India XR	120	12
Jam Wire (6)	67	4
Bombay [illegible]	60	0
Bombay Motor Cycle	34	0
Indian Cement (1937)	25	0
Walchand Nagar Industries (B.S.)	144	4
United Motors	70	0
Associated Cement New (1-4)	144	4
Bombay Safe Deposit (27)	880	0
Hydari Construction	19	10
Mahmadi Steam	96	0
Gujarat Motor	30	0
Sardar Carbonic XD	650	0
Harvey Press	310	0
Estrela Batteries	63	0
Manmad Press	130	0
PREFERENCE SHARES		
Tata Steel 1st (6)	181	10
Andhra Valley (7)	1212	8
Tata Power (7-8)	1241	4
Hydro Electric (7)	123	2
Bombay Steamer (6)	[illegible]	12
Central India (5)	625	0
Swadeshi Mills	128	12
Vishnu Mills (7)	633	12
Lakshmi Mills	275	0
New Great Mills (5-8)	227	8
Podar Mills (4)	108	0
Shrinivas Mills	98	8
Elphinstone Mills (7)	117	8
Bradbury Mills (7-8)	310	0
Surat Electricity (3-4)	145	0
Premier Construction 1st (6 1/4)	120	0
Amalgamated (5-8)	122	2
Premier Construction 2nd (6-4)	102	8
Hamid	72	0
Tata Chemical (5)	131	14
Walchand Nagar Inds (7)	130	0
Jupiter General	19	14
Supreme	100	0
Meyer	121	0
Mackenzie 1st	86	0
Mackenzie 2nd	80	0
Ahmedabad Advance	123	8
Mysore Mills	80	0
Standard Mills	101	0
Madhusudan Mills	12	0
Khatau Mills	104	0
Morarji	104	0
DEBENTURES		
Andhra 1962 (4)	103	8
Bombay Steamer (1959) (4-8)	101	10
Indian Hume Pipe (5)	106	0
Tata Power 1951	103	0
Walchand Nagar (6)	112	0
OUTSIDE SHARES		
Burma Corporation	2	11
New Victoria Mill	2	8
New Victoria Pref.	5	0
Phaltan Sugar (8) X.D.	120	0
Gold Mohur (20)	280	0
New Kaiser Hind	360	0
Sajjan Mills (20)	135	0
[illegible] Mills (10)	300	0
Asam Jahi Mills (10)	340	0
Air Service XR	7	0
A. India	102	0
Hind Motor	4	12
India Steam	8	12

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, March 1.

Tata Ordinary 286 Tata Deferred 1607/8 Indian Iron 22/11 Steel Corpn. of Bengal 20/5 Bombay Dyeing 920 Central India 236 Gokak 279/6 Kohinoor 275/10 Simplex 176/4 Swadeshi 271/14 Tata Power 1512/8 Associated Cement 150 Belapur 211/4 Bombay Burma (Old) 281/14 Scindia 17/9/6 Central Bank 87/8 New India 62/8 Tata 2nd Pref. 140.

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, Mar. 1.

The Bullion market was quietly steady with modest business passing. The Association has applied for the Government sanction to start forward trading. Quotations were as under:

Ready Silver	Rs. 188	0	0
Ready Gold	117	12	0
Sovereigns	75	8	0

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, Mar. 1.

There was no forward business today in the local cotton market.

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton May Contract is 8/0 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

ALEXANDRIA COTTON

ALEXANDRIA, Feb. 28.

Karnak March 87.90 plus 53
Karnak May 82.55—05
Ashmouni April 52.45 plus 18
Ashmouni June 52.85 plus 30.

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY March 1:

The local market was very steady for good enquiry for groundnuts and oil while castorseeds were quiet. At the opening castorseeds May delivery opened at Rs. 135-14 and after advancing at Rs. 136-2 quietened at Rs. 135-13. Thereafter the market advanced at Rs. 136/8. Quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS—			
Khandesh quality	37	4	0
Coromandal	36	10	0
Bold ready	36	1	0
Bold Feb-March	36	0	0
CASTORSEEDS—			
May delivery	136	6	0
Ready	28	8	0
LINSEEDS—			
Ready	27	4	0
Feb-March	27	4	0
April-May	27	6	0
GROUNDNUT OILS—			
Ready receipts	20	10	0
February	20	10	0
March	20	11	0
April	20	13	0
Linseed Oil	18	12	0
Castorseed oil first pressing	19	0	0
Castorseed oil Commercial Quality	17	8	0
Gingellyseed	225 to 230		

New Post For British Scientist

LONDON, (By Cable).

The King has approved the appointment of Sir Ben Lockspeiser as Secretary to the Committee of the Privy Council for Scientific and Industrial Research. He succeeds Sir Edward Appleton, who has taken the post of Principal, Edinburgh University.

Sir Ben Lockspeiser played a leading part in aeronautical research during the war. He became Director of Scientific Research in the Ministry of Aircraft Production. Subsequently he was appointed Director-General of Scientific Research for Air at the Ministry of Supply. He now holds the position of Chief Scientist to the Ministry of Supply.—(London Press Service).

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, March 1.

2 1/2 per cent 1964	98	7
2 1/2 per cent 1950	100	5
2 1/2 per cent 1955	99	14
2 1/2 per cent 1961	96	12
2 3/4 per cent 1960	99	7
2 3/4 per cent 1962	99	[illegible]
2 3/4 per cent 1976	97	14
3 per cent non-terminable	98	11
3 per cent 1926 Con.	99-1-6	
3 per cent 1949-52	100	8
3 per cent 1951-54	101	8
3 per cent 1953-55	101	9
3 per cent 1957	101	9
3 per cent 1959-61	100	3
3 per cent 1966-68	100	1
3 1/2 per cent 1954-59	104	10
3 per cent 1970-75	100	0
4 per cent 1960-70	110	10
4 1/2 per cent 1955-60	112	0
4 1/2 per cent 1953-58	115	4
PROVINCIAL LOANS		
2 3/4 per cent U P 1961	98	2
2 3/4 per cent Madras 1961	98	2
3 per cent Punjab 1945	98	8
3 per cent Bombay 1955	100	12
3 per cent Bombay 1958	100	12
3 per cent Madras 1952-53	100	10
3 per cent U P 1955	100	8
3 per cent C.P 1952	100	8
3 per cent N W F 1953	99	10
3 per cent U.P 1961-66	100	0
4 per cent Bombay Municipality	110	8
5 per cent Bom Muni 1959	114	0
6 per cent Bom Muni 1954	115	0

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, Mar. 1.

MILLS

Apollo 2-14 2-13-9
Bharat 32 31-12
B. Dyeing 920 16-4 21-4 15 20
C. India 236 34-8 36-8 35
„ Pref 117-8
Century 236-4
Colaba 149
Elphinstone Ord 65
„ Pref 11-7-8
Finlay 272
Gokak 279 78 8 79-8
I.U. Defd 1-9-6 1 9
„ Ord 10-11 10-11-6
Indore 170 71-4 70
Kohinoor 276 75 77-8 75 75-12
Model 182-8
Bharucha Defd 4-12
Morarji 447-8 50
Meyer 110
New Great 159
Podar 143-12
Simplex 179 76 76-4
Swadeshi 272 71-8 73-4 71
Swan 313
Tata Mills 60
Vishnu 215

STEAMER

B Steam 340
Scindia 17-12 17-10 17-12 17-8-6 17-10 17-7-6 17-9-6

BANKS

Baroda 141
Central 88 6 87-8
„ A New 8
Imperial Old 1370 65
„ New 462-8
India 198-8
Union 8
U Commercial 57-8

ELECTRIC

Ahmedabad 132-8, 30
Ajmer 10-8
Andhravalley 1427-8, 30
Andhravalley Pref. 1211-4, 12-8
Suburban 157-8
Surat 147-8
Hydro 154-8 53-8, 54
Hydro Pref. 122-12
Power 1517-8, 10, 16-4, 12-8

INSURANCE

Jupiter 18-8
New India 62-8, 62-12, 62-8

STEEL

B Steel 20-14, 21 20 4, 20-5
I Iron 23-4, 23-6, 22-8, 22-12
Tata Defd 1612-8, 5, 16-4, 2-8, 7-8
Tata Ord 288, 85, 86
Tata IInd Pref 140

MISCELANEOUS

Alcock 265, 66-4, 60
A. C. C. Old 150, 49-8, 50
A. C. C. New 144-8, 44-4
Belapur 211, 9-8, 11-8, 11
B. B Old 270-10 68-12, 71-14
B S New 103-12
B B Petrol 1-10-6, 1-10-3
B I. C. 8-7, 8-8, 8-5
I. Copper 2-4-6, 2-3
Dharamsey 36-4
P Const 112, 9-8, 11, 9
Shivrajpur 27-8, 28-4
Tata Chem 12-4, 12
Tata Oil 66-8 65-8
Wimco 183-12 86-4, 83-8

SPECIAL

Ahmedabad Elec. New 18-4, 18, 19-4, 18-12
Sirdar Carbonic Gas 650

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, March 1.

B. C Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 15/16 Ready.
B. C. Rates T. T. D. D. 1/5 29/32 up to 6 mos.
London Banks Selling T. T. D. D 1/5 31/32 Ready
London Banks Selling T. T. D. D 1/5 15/16 upto 6 months.
London Banks Selling T. T. 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month
London Banks Buying T. T. 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month
[illegible] 1/16 to 4th Month.
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying D. D. 1/6 1/8 7th-9th Month.
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st. 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th-9th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th-9th Month.
New York & Montreal B. C. Rate T. T. Rs. 332 1/4
Banks Selling T. T. D. D Rs 332 1/4
Banks Buying T. T. Rs 330
Banks Buying D D N Y Rs 328 3/4
Montreal Rs 328 1/2
Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 329
Montreal Rs 328 3/4 Y/O.
Paris Banks Selling T T Fcs. 7860
Paris Banks T T Fcs 8060.
Amsterdam Banks Selling T T D D Fl 79
Belgium Banks Selling T T D D Fcs 1505
Java Banks Selling T T D D Glds 79
Hongkong Banks Selling T T D D Rs 84
Singapore Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 157
Manila Banks Selling T T D D Rs 165 1/4
New York/London Cross Rate dol 4.02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4; London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. 52 57-58-43; London/Alexandria Cross Rate Pia. 97 1/4-3/4; London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl 10.68-70; London/Bangkok Cross Rate Tcl 40; London/Belgium Cross Rate Fcs 176 1/2-3/4; London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19.32-36; London/Hongkong Cross Rate 1/3 1/16-1/2 15/16; London/Iraq Cross Rate Rl 128/130; London/Java Cross Rate Fl 10.68-70; London/Lisbon Cross Rate Rs 99.80-100.20; London/Manila Cross Rate Pes 8.09-8 14 London/Montreal Cross Rate dol 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4. London New York Cross Rate dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4; London Oslo Cross Rate Kr. 19.98-20.02; London/Paris Cross Rate Fcs 1061-1063; London/Prague Cross Rate K 201-202; London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/4 1/16-2/4 3/16; London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kr 14.47-50; London/Switzerland Cross Rate Frcs 17.34-36
London Discts 3 Mos. 9/16 p.c.; London Discts 6 Mos 5/8 p.c.
Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c.; Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.
Money: Call 1/2 p.c.; 3 Mos. 3/4 p.c.; 6 Mos. p.c.; 12 Mos. 1-1/2 p.c.
Tune: Steady.

SALES OF TREASURY BILLS.

During the week ended the 25th February, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 3,58,00,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

EASIER FEELING ON CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, March 1: Decidedly easier feeling was noticed in all sections due to sellers predominating and only a limited business was put through.

Following are today's final transactions upto 2-30 p.m.:—

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Three per cent Government Paper 98/9, Three per cent Loan 1986 99/2, Three per cent Loan 1959/52 100/6 S. Lot, Three per cent Loan 1951/54 101/6, Three per cent Loan 1959/61 100/15 S. Lots, Three per cent Loan 1966/68 100.2, Three per cent Loan 1970/75 99/13/6 S. Lot, Four per cent Loan 1960/70 110/10.

BANKS: United Commercial Bank 56/8 S. Lot.

COTTONS: Cawnpore Textiles 10/3.

COALS: Amalgamated 24 S. O. Lot. Bengal 435 Cum Div., Burrakur 12/7, Dhemo Main 13 6, East India 29/12, South Karanpura 25/11.

JUTES: Gourepore Prem. 136, Kamarhatty 295, Presidency 6/8.

MININGS: Burma Corp. 2/9, Consolidated Tin 1/1, Tavoy Tin annas thirteen.

MISCELLANEOUS: Sone Valley Cement 6-14, Bengal Chemical 160, Burn and Co. 267/8, Steel Corp. 20/10, Angelo Bros. 19/12 (Ex. Div.), B.I.C. 8/4, Dunlop Rubber 84 S. O. Lot. Eastern Investment 157, National Tobaco 19/12, British Burma Petrol 1/11, Indo Burma Petrol 43 S. Lot, Assam Saws 7/6 Bengal Paper 37/2, Titaghur Paper 36/2 (Ex. Div.), India Steamship 8/8.

SUGARS: Carew and Co. 9/9.

TEAS: Kayang Tea Seed 4, Tezpore

New Method To Counter Fruit Wastage

LONDON (By Cable).

A new method of countering the annual wastage of millions of apples and pears in the world's orchards will be demonstrated by one of the firms exhibiting in the Chemicals Section of the British Industries Fair, opening in London and Birmingham on May 2.

The firm has invented what it describes as a "preharvest fruit drop inhibitor". Sprayed on fruit stalks the solution, known as "Planofix" prevents the premature formation of the abscission layer which causes fruit to drop. "Planofix" is an alpha-naphthalene acetic acid formulation with spreader.

Other firms exhibiting in this Section have plants now busy on the production of carbon black streptomycin, aromatic hydro-carbons and olefinic and paraffinic gases. One firm will also show a new soil fumigant which, applied by an injection gun, cuts the cost of treating an acre of ground from Rs 4,000 by the usual steaming process down to only Rs. 400.—(London Press Service).

ART SILK YARN

BOMBAY, March 1.

120 D Ready	3	8	0
150 D Ready	3	3	6
200 lbs Box			
March	641	0	0
April	644	0	0

MILD LIQUIDATION OF NEAR MONTHS IN N. Y. COTTON

Light Short Covering Hardens Wall Street Prices

NEW YORK, Feb 28:

Prices sagged on mild liquidation of near march while reports of increasing loan repossessions influenced the old crops. New crops reflected larger acreage ideas and expectations of a lower mid-February parity prices after the close today. The market steadied modestly on routine trade demands. Meanwhile trading was restricted awaiting developments in connection with the granting of e c a funds for export purposes. After drifting aimlessly most of the afternoon prices gradually declined under a flurry of selling which found trade offtake indifferent evidently reflecting uneasiness over the export and textile situations. The session closed easy with sales approximately 125,000 bales.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, Feb. 28

March	32.36—15
May	32.10—18
May Highest	32.29+01
May Lowest	32.10—18
July	30.98—10
October	28.10—06
December	27.80—15
Middling Spot	33.43—15

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW YORK, Feb 28

March	32.20—14
May	32.04—18
July	30.91 12
October	28.00—14
Middling Spot	32.40—15

WALL STREET MARKET.

As the pressure continued light short-covering and bargain hunting brought mostly fractional extensions of Saturday's recovery. Attention was attracted by Washington reports that labour legislation in the form requested by Truman will not be passed by Congress. The averages were industrials 172.28 And rails 47.49. Prices remained around the noon levels in quiet trading awaiting further business and Washington developments. Steels failed to derive any additional encouragement from the ingot operations scheduled this week at 100.5 per cent of capacity the seventh consecutive week of capacity or above capacity operations. There was renewed demand in the last half hour particularly for leading chemicals, motors, oils, steels, and specialities which finished with gains of fractions to a dollar or more. The market closed firm.

CHICAGO GRAINS

After easing slightly under commission house and local selling prompted by reports of a three cent per bushel reduction in the commodity credit corporation's when buying price on Saturday, prices steadied on commercial buying and shortcovering. Some buying of maize was attracted by continued small receipts and light country offerings but the majority of traders were inclined to await price support developments and mid-February parity price.

CHICAGO WHEAT

CHICAGO, Feb 28

May	2.19-1/2
July	1.93-5/8
September	1.93-7/8
December	1.95-3/4

LONDON WHEAT

LONDON, Feb. 28,

LONDON; Australian Wheat new crop 96 Feby/March

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, Feb 28.

Consols 2-1/2 p c	81
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961	100-7/8
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	114-3/4
War Loan 3-1/2 p c 1952 and after	104
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank London Reg	102-1/2
National Bank of India	39-1/4

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 7,515.

LONDON EXCHANGES

LONDON, Feb. 28.

T. T. London on:

	SELLING	BUYING
New York	4.0275	4.0325
Montreal	4.0275	4.0325
Zurich	17.34	17.36
Stockholm	14.47 to 14.50	

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Feb. 28

American Telephone and Telegraph	147-3/8
Amerex Holding Co.	25
Anaconda Copper Mining	132-1/2
Chase National Bank	34-7/8
Sinclair Oil	20
Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co.	46
General Electric Co.	36
General Motors	57-1/2
Ingersol Rand	61-3/4
International Nickel	28
National City Bank of New York	39-1/8
New York Central Rail Road Co.	11-1/8
Socony Vacuum Corporation	15-3/8
Texas Corporation	50-1/2
Union Carbide	38
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co	42 bid
U. S. Steel Corporation Common	71-1/2
Western Union Telegraph	15-1/4

NEW YORK SILVER

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.

U. S. Price of Foreign Silver 71-1/2 cents.

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, Feb. 28.

Silver Spot and Forward	43-1/2d
Gold bars fine per oz.	£8/12/3

NEW YORK PEPPER PRICES

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (UPA) Black pepper futures closed inactive and unchanged to 200 higher on the New York market today. Traders coupled the higher basis with the firmer spot situation.

In the spot market one operator was the accredited buyer of 3,600 bags paying up to 62 cents per pound for March and 60 cents for May delivery ex-dock basis.

Closing prices included:

March 45 nom May 62 bid, July 58 September 57, October 50, December 49, January 46.

In the spot market, black was quoted at 65-67 cents asked and white at 95 cents asked. Castorseeds were quoted at USdol. 110 nom, cotton seeds dol. 60. Linseed dol 6, Linseed oil 27.00 cents, Groundnuts 17 50—.75 cents and Groundnut oil 15-1/2 cents.

Shipping News

IMPORTS

S.S. STEEL RECORDER

From New York:—32 drums drugs and medicines, 169 bags bolivian antimony, 49 metal containers tin plate, 106 drums coal tar dyes, 56 drums potasium chlorate, 43 cases steel tiles 80 drums diesel fuel oil, 110 pkgs. grinding wheels, 359 drums lubricating oil, 151 ctns tubes and fixtures 136 bdls. ice canes, 63 cases medicines, 80 drums diesel fuel oil, 70 ctns. flour cleat tubes, 249 bdls. ice canes, 593 ctns. accessories.

From New Orleance:—79 bags cornel wood shuttle blocks, 3308 drums lubricating oil, 42 craes wood plup boards, 80 drums fuel oil.

From Houdan Texas:—1000 drums golden spindle oil, 301 drums lubricating oil.

From Beament-Texas:—1440 drums lubricating oil, 1580 drums T. oil.

From Newport News:—175 cases tobacco.

From Alexandria:—825 bales cotton.

s. s. NETRAVATI

From Karachi:— 1634 bdls. cotton raw; 2806 bags goowar; 295 bags cotton seed oil cakes; 315 cases khishmish, 374 cases apricots; 109 bags drakh; 52 bags pista magaz, 25 bags salt petre.

s. s. DARA

From Busrah:— 1000 baskets L. dates, 130 bags altari; 113 bags almond kernels.

From Khoramshire:— 432 bags cumminseed.

From Karachi:— 2842 bags goowar; 550 bales cotton raw; 130 bags pista dodi; 45 bags pista magaz.

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT

s. s MARTIN CARL

To Karachi:— 85 cases pure silk piecegoods—A. H. Khanmohamed; 100 bags empty glass bottles—H. Ahmed and Co., 20 cases gripe pipe—Z. Chunilal and P. L. Works; 10 cases art silk piecegoods—A. H. Khanmohamed; 30 cases gambier—H G. Rahemtoola and Sons; 58 cases dyes stuffs—K. Vallabhades and Co., 32 cases printed books—B. C. Bukariwalla & Sons.

S.S. NYHORN

To Oslo—150 bags stealite powder—Shaw Wallace and Co.

To Barcelona—50 bales cotton waste—E. T. Robertson and Son.

To Genoa—250 bales cotton waste—V. Ladha and Co.

S S. JALJAWAHAR

To London—450 bags soap stone powder—Shaw Wallace and Co Ltd.

To Manchester—500 bales cotton waste—E. T. Robertson and Son

S.S. FLYINGTRADER

To Singapore—95 bags cumin seed—D. Karsondas, 15 bags cumin seed seed V. Company.

To Hongkong—200 bags myrabollam E. Abdeali.

BY AIR

To Karachi—45 parcels art silk piecegoods—G. M. Oomer, 16 bdls art silk piecegoods—Y. H Dawood, 32 bdls art silk piecegoods—G. M. Oomar.

—S.S. TURKS HEAD—

To Hongkong:—
100 bales cotton waste—N. Nagsee and Co.

—S.S. DEVANHA—

To Sydney:—
115 bales cotton waste—C. Jairam and Co.

—S.S. BARPETA—

To Karachi—
85 cases coaltar dyes— Amritlal and Co. Ltd.
280 drums paint—F Kapadia and Co.
20 bdls bidies— A. Mohmed & Co.
10 bdls bidies— Esmail Abbhai
20 crates glass globes— H. Harji
30 cases rubber balls: A. Agencies
16 cases rubber baloons— M. Sadik

—S.S. KHOSROU—

To Aden:—
8 crates glass globes. Arco Agencies
To Portsudan:—
6 boras sandlewood— C. Kasturchand.
To Jeddah:—
31 bales cotton waste— G. Rasul and Co.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

BOMBAY, March 1.

We give below the latest information regarding vessels due to arrive at and sail from Bombay under the agency of Volkart Brothers:

DUE TO ARRIVE AT BOMBAY:

FROM U. S. PACIFIC COAST:

s. s "Manx Fisher" Due 15th March
s. s. "Limburg" Due 19th March
s. s "Borneo" Due 7th April

FROM U. S. ATLANTIC COAST:

s. s. "Hoegh" Silverbeam" Due 11th March
s. s. "Rioun" Due 13th March
s. s. "Southmoor" Due 8th April

FROM ROTTERDAM-ANTWERP.

s. s "Deed" Due 4th March
s. s. "Duke of Sparta" Due 17th March

FROM PERSIAN GULF VIA KARACHI:

s. s. "Ltonerkerk" Due 2nd March
s. s. "Hoegh Silverwave" Due 31st March

FROM ITALY:

s. s. "Salvore" Due 4th March
s. s. "Caroonelio" Due 7th March

FROM AUSTRALIA:

s. s. "Ugolino Vivaldi" Due 21st March

DUE SAIL FROM BOMBAY:

FOR CALCUTTA VIA COLOMBO:

s. s. "Hoegh Silvercloud" Sails 6th March
s. s. "Lawak" Sails 12th March
s. s. "Deed" Sails 16th March
s. s. "Duke of Sparta" Sails 29th March
s. s. "Borneo" Sails 18th April

FOR U. S. PACIFIC COAST:

s. s. "Hoegh Silverbeam" Sails 18th March
s. s. "Riouw" Sails 18th March

FOR MEDITERRANEAN & NORTH CONTINENTAL PORTS:

s. s. "Loenerkerk" Sails 8th March

FOR ITALY:

s. s. "Sparta" Sails 5th March
s. s. "Salvore" Sails 12th March
s. s. "Carbonelio" Sails 17th March
s. s. "Ugolino Vivaldi" Sails 22nd March

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Unworkability Of Existing Ceiling Prices Of Raw Cotton

The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber have addressed the following communication to the Government of India in the Ministry of Industry and Supply re: the unworkability of the existing ceiling prices of raw cotton.

"I am directed by the Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber to address Government on the anomalous position obtaining now in regard to the control on prices of raw cotton as a result of the unworkability of the ceiling fixed by Government. In September last, as part of their proposals in the programme of re-control of cloth Government decided to impose control on prices of raw cotton. A ceiling price of Rs. 600 per candy was fixed for the basic variety of Fine Jarilla 3/4" staple and Rs. 620 for Fine Jarilla 25/32" staple (ex. godown, Bombay). While the level of the ceiling was raised, the variety differences i.e. the premiums for growths other than Jarilla were maintained on the same basis as in the previous period of control. This in itself was open to the objection that the retention of fixed differentials was a very serious mistake.

It is common knowledge that cotton is not available at or within the ceiling rate. Cotton is also bought in the upcountry centres above the ceiling rate, under circumstances which defeat the spirit and main purpose of the control. The trade is almost paralysed and if the present conditions are allowed to continue, the repercussions would be of a far-reaching and permanent character.

The position requires to be reviewed and reconsidered without further loss of time. My Committee request that Government will be good enough to give this matter their early attention and either abolish the control on cotton prices or if the Control is to be continued so revise the ceiling and the differentials as would be in keeping with the practical requirements of the situation. Furthermore, in order to prevent a recurrence of the control proposals of Government tending to become unworkable, representative and responsible interests in the cotton trade should be consulted and proposals of Government should be framed after giving due and adequate thought to the suggestions and opinions received from the trade."

SINGAOPE PEPPER PRICES

SINGAPORE, Feb. 28 (UPA) White, Muntok remained unchanged at S S dol. 282 and black lampong was quoted at SSdol. 181 per picul of 133 3 lbs F.O.B. today.

LONDON PEPPER PRICES

LONDON, Feb. 28 (UPA) Singapore was quoting black lampong at 3/4-1/2 and white at 4/4, but neither buyers nor sellers in London were interested for the time being.

Malbar. London basis, February-March was 335.

No Rationing Of Charcoal And Firewood

BOMBAY, Monday. A Press Note issued by the Public Relation Officer (Rationing) says: "It has been reported in the Press that on re-imposition of control on charcoal and firewood, the Government intends to introduce rationing and these commodities, in order to regulate the trade, the Government has only decided to licence all categories of dealers trading in these fuels and to fix their maximum prices at which they should be sold to the consumers. No rationing of these commodities is contemplated as there are sufficient stocks of these fuels."

KEROSENE QUOTA FOR FEBRUARY

Those kerosene cardholders who did not draw their quota of kerosene oil for February 1949 during the month of February are allowed to draw their February quota upto 15th March 1949.

Budget Does Not Encourage Savings And Investments

Commenting on the Budget Speech of the Finance Minister, the President of the Marwadi Chamber of Commerce, Bombay Mr. Ramdeo A Podar says:—

On the face of it, free India's Second Budget, I must say, not gone far enough to encourage savings and investment and reduce the cost of living, and the budgetary measure of fresh indirect taxes covering such a wide range of every day needs are apt to result in pushing up the cost of living nothwithstanding the relief offered to the many in the reduction of income-tax at lower levels and to the few in the lowering of the limit of the Supertax The abolition of the Capital gains tax comes a day after the fair though no doubt to be welcomed both by the Industry and the Security markets and I cannot help saying that Government's apathy in tackling the main problem of economy viz: effecting a saving and providing an adjustment in the next year's estimates is regrettable. While some have called the Budget "a shopkeeper" budget or a Capitalist budget" and others have commented that the Budget proposals aim at "robbing the poor to satisfy the rich". there will not be much satisfaction in the rise in postage rates and new imposts on essential articles like cloth and sugar.

CALICUT MARKET

CALICUT, March 1.

Colrarn Beypore 135/145 Quilandy 115/c155 Fibre Garbled 55 Ungarbled 80 Cocoanuts Raw 165/167 Dry 145/165 Cocoanutoil 590 Copra Office 390 Dilpasand 400 Madrasnottam 425 Pepper Wynaad 1225 Country 1210 Dry-ginger Chernad 625 Ernad 600 Coffee Robusta 150 Timber Poli 60/70 Junglewood 30/45 Vellapine 50/62 Benteak 30/45 Teak 80/120 Mango 3/3/0 Eeak 10/17 Rosewood 12/20

Governor Pays Homage To Late Dr. H. M. Masina

On the occasion of the birthday anniversary of the late Dr. Hormasji Manekji Masina, the Founder of Masina Hospital, H. E. Raja Sir Maharaj Singh, Governor of Bombay, paid a visit to the Hospital which was founded in 1942.

His Excellency was received at the Hospital by Dr. Manek Hormasji Masina, the Principal Medical Officer and Managing Trustee, who was accompanied by his uncle, Dr. Pestonji M. Masina, the seniormost Trustee, and Mrs. Manek H. Masina.

Upon arrival, His Excellency was conducted to the Sir Shapoorji Broacha Hall where the Jashan ceremony had just been completed. The Governor asked for and expressed interest in the interpretation and dedication of the ceremony. Thereafter, Dr. Manek H. M. Masina took His Excellency around the different Departments of the Hospital, explaining various modifications which had been carried out by him, including certain alterations for the improvement of the care of the sick and suffering. The Governor spent about one hour at Masina Hospital and freely talked to patients and inquired about their health.

During the course of the tour, His Excellency remarked about the cleanliness and orderliness existing in Masina Hospital whereupon Dr. Manek Masina stated that it was his late beloved father's pride and joy that this Hospital was reputed for strict discipline, cleanliness and orderliness.

60.70 P.C. FREE PATIENTS

Dr. Manek H. Masina also related the dire necessity of financial assistance so that more patients may be hospitalized. Emphasis was laid upon the maintenance of patients who were unable to contribute anything, that is, free patients who constituted almost 60 per cent to 70 per cent of all the patients in Masina Hospital.

In the last phase of the tour, Dr. Manek H. Masina took H. E. to the Lady Broacha Nursing College Building of Masina Hospital wherein is also housed the Government Nursing College. As a token of reverence to the late Dr. H. M. Masina, one minute's silence was observed. Thereafter, the Government Nursing College Superintendent, Miss Chadekar, presented Dr. Manek H. Masina with a donation from the students in response to the letter recently published by the "Times of India" to reduce the debt of the Hospital. In a talk to the students of the Government Nursing College, the Governor eulogised the magnificient activity of the late Dr. H. M. Masina in bringing the Hospital to the wonderful position it occupied. H. E. also stressed the need for training more nurses in India, especially because the proportion of nurses to patients was lamentably small.

Upon conclusion of the tour of Masina Hospital, H. E. Raja Sir Maharaj Singh expressed the wish that he will contribute his token of reverence to the birthday memory of the Founder, and will send his donation toward the efforts made by Dr Manek H. M. Masina to reduce the deficit of his late father's Hospital. Upon departure, His Excellency was garlanded by Mrs. Manek H. Masina.

C. P. ASSEMBLY BILL

To Regulate Qualifications Of Medical Practitioners

NAGPUR, March 1. (A.P.I.): The C. P. and Berar Legislative Assembly has passed a bill to regulate the qualifications and to provide for the registration of practitioners of the homoeopathic and biochemic system of medicine with a view to encourage the study and spread of these systems.

Under this bill, a board of homoeopathic and biochemic systems of medicine will be set up, and the functions of the board will include the laying down of the course of training and the establishment of institutions for such training in these systems of medicine.

LUXURIOUS FLATS TURNED INTO HOUSES OF ILL-FAME

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Vigilance Branch of the Bombay C.I.D. yesterday trapped two persons allegedly living on the earnings of prostitution of film actresses residing in luxurious flats at Malabar Hill.

The two arrested persons, Mrs. Shanti Bhorshikadam and her agent Mohanlal Radhakrisan according to the police are said to have supplied Veena Kholi, the film actress of 'Balama' fame to a bogus customer for Rs. 500. The arrests were made in a hotel at Varsowa last night.

Of late the police have been receiving reports from the residents of Malabar Hill that film actresses residing in luxurious flats in the locality were carrying on clandestine prostitution. Following these reports, the Vigilance Branch of the C.I.D. sent yesterday a bogus customer to contact Mohanlal. Mohanlal is alleged to have taken the bogus customer to Walkeshwar Road where in a well furnished flat he introduced him to Mrs. Shanti and later on produced Veena Kholi for the purpose of prostitution. A deal for Rs. 530 was agreed. The bogus customer with Veena then got into a motor car and accompanied with both the accused went to a hotel at Varsowa. Dy. Inspector Salvi and Inspector Gurwe of the Vigilance Branch who were following the party later on raided the hotel when they found the bogus customer and Veena in a compromising position in one of the rooms.

A sum of Rs. 400, part of the marked money was recovered from Mrs Shanti while Rs 100 were found with Mohanlal. They were arrested. The arrested persons were today produced in the Esplanade Police Court when they were ordered to be remanded for a fortnight.

RAJEN BABU TO VISIT CITY

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Chairman of the All-India Mahatma Gandhi National Memorial Fund will pay a three day visit to the city from March 13.

He is coming here primarily in connection with the collections for the fund and will utilise the opportunity to address a few public meetings which will be organised by the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee.

It is likely that a meeting of the All-India Committee of the Fund will be called in the city about the time of Rajendra Babu's visit.

Dr. Prasad will come here after attending a conference of Sarvodaya workers at Rao, a village near Indore. The conference will be attended by all the leading Gandhian workers in India.

The proceeds of the Cricket match between The Governor's XI and the West Indies team, which will be played at the Brabourne Stadium tomorrow and the day after will be presented to Rajendra Babu when he visits the city.

Among his other engagements will be a function at the Government's Milk Colony at Arrhey, to mark the completion of the first stage of the scheme and cattle from the city stables will move into the colony.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT BUDGET

Ill Conceived, Says Surat Chamber Of Commerce

SURAT, March 1, (A.P.I.): The Surat Chamber of Commerce, in a telegram to the Finance Minister, Bombay on Government's budget proposals said that the measures relating to sales tax and electricity are ill conceived and will prove highly detrimental to trade and industry of the province.

The Chamber thought that most of the commitments enumerated in the budget are either temporary or uncertain, and hence do not justify fresh taxation.

The Chamber suggests that in view of the draught that has affected large areas of the province the Centre should give a subvention to the province.

CENTRE TO TAKE OVER BARODA AND SAURASHTRA FORCES

(From Our Correspondent)
AHMEDABAD, March 1.

It is learnt reliably the Central Government have chalked out a plan of direct supremacy of India Government on the armies of Gujarat and Saurashtra. The Government of India have decided to take over the Baroda state forces this week or before the 15th March.

The present Commander-in-Chief of Baroda Army, Mr. Berch, will be relieved and an Indian Commander will be posted there. Baroda's Army consists of about 5,000 soldiers. This army is well equipped, experienced and has scored victories on fronts of Europe, Africa and Burma.

SAMAJSEWAK MAHAVIR DAL

JAMNAGAR, March 1:
(From Our Correspondent)

Maharani Shree Gulabkunwaliia has resigned from Praja Samrakshak Mahavir Dal as President. The resignation has been accepted in a general meeting. Having passed a new constitution with the new name as "Samajsewak Mahavir Dal" the meeting was postponed to elect its office-berars on Akhatraj

MUSLIM WOMEN TAKE TO SPINNING

JAMNAGAR, March 1:

Shree Dhebharbhai Prime, Minister, Saurashtra, visited the famine stroken area of Salar, that is Baradi and Kambhaliia. He declared open Rastriya Kantanshila in Jamnagar Baitful Mal, where Muslim Women have started a regular spinning class.

Committee Reviews Famine Situation In Cutch

(From Our Correspondent)
BHUJ, March 1.

The Kutch Famine Relief Committee's meeting was held here under the presidentship of the Chief Commissioner to consider and review famine situation prevailing throughout Kutch and to find alternative work for people thrown out of work due to stoppage of Mandvi sand-clearing work. The Consembly member Sjt. Bhavanji Arjun Khimji, President, Kutch Famine Relief Committee of Bombay specially arrived by air from Bombay to attend this urgent meeting. Official and non-official members were present in the meeting. Sjt. Tulsidas Sheth, Secretary, Famine Relief Committee, made certain observations.

Scholarships For Backward Class Students

(From Our Correspondent)
RAJKOT, March 1.

A Saurashtra Government press note announces that Saurashtra Government have decided to grant scholarships of Rs. 25,000 to backward class students.

BIHAR BUDGET UN-GANDHIAN

Democratic Party Member's Comment

PATNA, Feb. 28 (A.P.I.): General discussion on the Bihar Government's Budget for the year 1949-50 began in the Bihar Assembly today in the course of which Mr. Amin Ahmed (Democratic Party) in a hundred-minute speech denounced it as un-Gandhian in letter and spirit.

Its two main characteristics were, he said, that it nowhere mentioned prohibition and, for the first time, proposed to tax even foodgrains. As to the latter, Mr. Ahmed said the Congress Government forgot that Mahatma Gandhi had launched the salt satyagraha in which members of the present Government had also participated as the salt tax hit the common man.

As to prohibition, Mahatma Gandhi's views were well known and now, the government somehow wanted to defer the introduction of prohibition by raising the bogey of inflation.

The way to fight inflation, Mr Ahmed pointed out, was not to increase taxation but to insist on getting consumer goods from Britain in lieu of India's sterling balances, if necessary under the threat of leaving the Commonwealth and to sell them in the country and to withdraw the money thus received from circulation. In the alternative, the Government should try to produce more by properly looking after labour, creating confidence in the mind of capitalists and raising their own credit in the market.

Mr. Mazhar Imam, another member of the Democratic Party, congratulated the Finance Minister on presenting a surplus budget and requested him to draw up a scheme for the betterment of the common man and to meet the cost of its execution from the surplus of Rupees eight decimal eight crores.

(From Our Correspondent)

STUDENTS' DEMONSTRATION AT ALLAHABAD

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 28 (A.P.I.): About fifty students of the Allahabad University staged a demonstration this evening, when a meeting of the University Court was being held at the Vijaynagram hall protesting against the levy of hostel fees for the two months of summer vacation.

Till last year the University charged tuition as well as hostel fees from the students only for ten months a year.

Bus Service In Ahmedabad Nationalised

(From Our Correspondent)
AHMEDABAD, March 1.

Nationalization of buses in Gujarat section started from today, under Government control, in and around Ahmedabad region. Sjt. Bhogilal Lala Secretary, G.P.C.C., has inaugurated it this service which will run from Ahmedabad to Nadiad and Matar in Kaira district.

Swaraj Bhawan Trustees To Meet Tomorrow

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 28 (A.P.I.): A meeting fo the board of trustees of Swaraj Bhawan will be held tomorrow.

It is understood the board will consider the proposals for utilising the buildings of Swaraj Bhawan which have been lying vacant since the All India Congress Committee Offices were shifted to New Delhi last year.

TUBERCULOSIS SANATORIUM

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 28 (A.P.I.): Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Prime Minister of India will lay the foundation stone of a tuberculosis sanatorium at Allahabad, near Phaphamau on March 2.

GUJERAT PAPER MILL CLOSED DOWN

AHMEDABAD, March 1 (A.P.I.): The Gujarat Paper Mill situated at Barejdi about 15 miles from Ahmedabad, has closed down throwing out of employment about 800 workmen.

It is stated that as the railway has given top priority to the transport of food and fodder from famine areas, the mill has been unable to get raw material for over a month

Fruits From Tasmania

HOBART, TASMANIA, March 1. (P.T.I.-Reuter): Mr Parameswaran Pillai, Indian Trade Commissioner in Australia, who is visiting Tasmania called on High Government officials here yesterday and discussed the possibility of increased fruit exports to India.

Mr. Pillai paid courtesy calls on the Tasmania Governor, Sir Hugh Binney and Premier Robert Cosgrove.

He discussed the fruit shipments and other trade matters with Mr. C. O Smith Deputy Chairman of the State Fruit Board.

Gandhi Memorial Library Presented To Cornell University

ITHACA, New York, March 1, (PTI-Reuter): A 500 volume Gandhi library, established last year by Hindu students at Cornell University, was officially presented to the University yesterday.

The Cornell Hindustan Association founded the library to promote the cause of peace to which Mahatma Gandhi devoted his life. It includes writings by and about Gandhi.

Mr. C. K. Nair, Chairman of the memorial library committee made the presentation.

GENEVA, Feb. 28 (PTI-Reuter)—The eighteen-nation executive board of the World Health organisation tonight approved a 300,000 sterling project to introduce modern health techniques into three, as yet unspecified, under developed areas of the world.

CHINESE IN MALAYA

Ally With Govt. To Counter Communist Menace

The problems of the Chinese are also the basic problems of the Government in its campaign to eliminate the menace of Communist-led Chinese bandits striking in sudden and murderous ambush from the jungle. If the proolems of the Chinese and of the Government can be identified and the two can work together, then a great step forward can be made by withdrawing from the bandits the essential physical support, voluntary or otherwise, of certain Chinese.

INTER-RACIAL HARMONY

With this object in view a Committee was set up at a party given by the Penang Chinese members of the Federal Legislative Council, the most representative yet to be established in the interests of inter-racial harmony. The Chinese members include well-known leaders from the Settlements of Penang and Malacca, the States of Selangor and Perak, and the Colony of Singapore. On the Malay side, apart from Dato'Onn of Johore, committee members include Malay leaders from the three States of Perak, Selangor and Kedah, and the Secretary-General of UMNO, Inche Zainal Abidin.

Throughout Penang, the appointment of the Committee was welcomed as a movement in the right direction. The Secretary of the Penang Straits Chinese British Association, Dr. Cheah Cheng Poh, put it plainly by saying: "A house divided against itself cannot stand. This reaction to friendship will be further friendship. The need for more men of goodwill such as those on the Committee is more urgent than ever before."

Following this move in Penang came an announcement two days later from Kuala Lumpur that a meeting would be held in the capital in February to form a Malayan Chinese Association on a Federation-wide basis. The main objects of the Association will be to promote and maintain inter-racial harmony in Malaya, and to promote and foster the cultural, political economic and social welfare of Malayan Chinese.

MOVEMENT WELCOMED

Welcoming the movement to form the Malayan Chinese Association which would co-operate with the Government and other communities to restore peace and good order in Malaya, Sir Henry Gurney said: "I wish this movement all success and hope that it will rapidly become an effective force to which all law-abiding Chinese who regard this country as their home can rally.

The Kuala Lumpur Malay daily 'Majlis', said the forming of a Chinese Association was a good step to wipe out the Chinese Communist terrorists in Malaya, but it was long overdue.

TRANSFER OF RULE

Broadcasting to the peoples of Malaya, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald declared that it was the purpose of the British Government to unite the communities and gradually to transfer rule.

He said: "We shall support with all our hearts any movement seeking to associate the Malays, the Malayan Chinese and other communities who owe undivided loyalty—unswerving allegiance—to Malaya in a brotherhood of all the peoples of this country inspired by a common patriotism. We look forward to the day when they may take their place beside the other self-governing peoples in the British Commonwealth."

All the recent signs show that the Malayan Chinese will be one with the Government in their desire to rid Malaya of the cancer of terrorism.

Why U. S. Cancelled Naval Evacuation Of Tsingato

NANKING, March 1, (PTI-Reuter): North Shensi radio claimed that Communist forces had now "liberated" more than 200,000,000 of China's 450,000,000 people and captured 770 cities.

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One hundred generals and colonels and a large dep of war equipment had been taken, it added, and in fighting in Feoruary in Shensi province, 800 soldiers of the Nationalist 21st division were wounded, killed or captured, 47 miles of the Lungnai railway north of Sian were now in Communist hands.

The radio claimed that the United States had cancelled its naval evacuation of Tsingato, its north China naval base, following a recent Tokyo defence conference attended by Army Secretary Mr. Kenneth Royall, and Major General David Barr, Head of the American Joint Military Advisory Group in China.

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Greek Troops Launch Attack Against Guerilla

ATHENS, March 1 (PTI-Reuter): Greek troops supported by aircraft, today launched violent attacks against guerilla forces marching towards the mountain town of Karpenissi, 125 miles northwest of Athens.

A general staff communique said that the battle was continuing.

So far 210 guerillas had surrendered or had been captured it added.

Karpenissi was recaptured by the Government troops on February 8 after being held by the guerillas for a fortnight.

MORE THAN HALF CHINA LIBERATED

Shensi Radio Claims

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SHANGHAI, March 1, (PTI-Reuter):— Governor S. Y. Liu of the Central Bank declared today that the gold Yuan would continue to be China's basic currency following the introduction of economic reforms and that all business transactions, contracts and accounting should continue to be stated in gold Yuan.

He said the gold Yuan would continue to be issued on a restricted scale.

Governor Liu also announced that the Central Bank and other Government banks would shortly undertake to buy foreign currencies at prices to be quoted daily. He said that to combat rocketing commodity prices, the Central Bank would continue to dump supplies on the market.

NO NEWS ABOUT U. S. CONSUL IN MUKDEN

WASHINGTON, March 1. (U.P.I.): The State Department reports that it has received no word from the 19 members of the U.S. Consulate at Mukden since November 18 last.

The spokesman said, although hoping for some news, the department was not greatly worried about their safety. He pointed out that the Communist troops moving into Mukden had ordered all radio transmissions to be discontinued, as a result of which the U.S. Consul General at Mukden, Mr. Angus Ward had been out of touch, but efforts were being made to establish communications with him through the liberated areas under the Government at Peking.

LEON PIGNON ARRIVES IN PARIS

Expects To See Bao Dai

PARIS March 1. (PTI-Reuter): M Leon Pignon, French High Commissioner in Indo-China, arrived at Orly airport near Paris today to take part in negotiations between the French Government and ex-Emperor Bao Dai of Annam, for Bao Dai's return to Viet Nam (Indo-China) as head of the State.

M. Pignon said he expected to see Bao Dai today and also to report to M. Paul Coste-Floret, Minister of Overseas France, on the situation in Viet Nam.

PARIS, March 1, (PTI-Reuter): French Police have detained three more people for questioning in the country's five-day-old check up on alleged Communist spies, Agence France Presse reported today.

BANASKANTHA BADLY AFFECTED BY FAMINE

People Get Less Than Four Ounces Foodgrains A Day

AHMEDABAD, March 1 (A.P.I.): "In some of the areas of newly merged Banaskantha, people get only one and a half pounds of rationed grains per week—less than four ounces a day." This was revealed by Mr. Kasturbhai Lalbhai, Chairman of the Gujerat Famine Relief Committee, after touring the famine-stricken areas of Banaskamth.

He added: "Unless Government send immediately substantial quantities of foodgrains to these areas, the situation is likely to go out of hand as several of these tracts are unpassable in the monsoon."

Statutory Rationing In Two Gujerat Towns

BOMBAY, March 1 (API): Statutory rationing of foodgrains has been introduced from March 1, 1949, in the small towns of Cambay and Rajpipla in Gujarat.

FOUR WATER TANKERS FOR SURAT

SURAT, March 1, (A.P.I.) Four water tankers will be shortly received at Surat for purposes of taking water to the draught affected areas.

Water will be taken to villages where drinking water is not available and distributed a gallon per head.

Latest Commercial

NEW YORK COTTON MAY.
NEW YORK, March 1.

Previous Closing	32.10
Today's Opening	32.03
Difference	—7
Today's Closing	32.15
Difference	+5

LAST QUOTATIONS
BOMBAY, March 1.

	Rs. As.
Silver Bullion Ready	187 12
Gold Ready	117 12
Sovereign	75 8
EXPECTATION:	
Cotton Jarila May	621 0

NEW YORK STOCKS.
NEW YORK, March 1.

Stock Exchange opening prices:—Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 32-3/4. General Motors dol. 57-3/8. United States Steel Common dol. 71-3/8.

United States Steel Preference unquoted.—(Reuter).

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Displays Easier Trend

LONDON, March 1, (PTI-Reuter): Slightly lower rises were established in most sections of the London Stock Exchange today when account came to an end.

Interest, however, was maintained in cable and wirless issues, following weekend announcement of compensation award of three five and quarter million Sterling on takeover by British Government.

Where changed, foreign bond and railways markets were easier with Great Western Brazil issues particularly affected.

Interest and trading in minings was small and slightly easier tendency also existed in these issues.

Kaffirs however improved and closed firm on late bear covering.

Ahmedabad Share Bazar

(From Our Correspondent.)
AHMEDABAD, March 1.

Market ruled quiet. Budget proposals have been received with mixed feeling and it is generally believed that Finance Minister could not please any party. Local industrial circles severely criticise increase in excise duty of cloth describing it against principle of our national Government.

Closing quotations:

Calico 1234, Ambika 387, Deffered 1609, Atul 43, Arvind 1453, Ashok 651-1-0, Ahmedabad Cotton (X. Right) 420.

Hapur Market Rates

(From Our Correspondent.)
HAPUR, March 1.

Wheat 27 to 29, Gram 5/8, Barley 17, Bejhar 15, Maize 16, Bejra 16/4, Juwar 16, Guwar 11/8, Matar 13, Arhar 13, Urd 18/4, Moong 20, Masoor 15, Jeth Matar 11/13/6, Arhar 12/15. Gur Ready 13/8 to 14/12, Shakar 13/4, Arrivals 2000 mds. Future 14, Sugar Crystal 29/8, Khandsari 22 to 27, Besakh 14/14, Sarson Ready 24/8, Jeth 25/2/6, Taraseed 21, Oil 65, Oats Oilcake 8/8, Cottonseed 14/8, Groundnut 19.

Bardana Ready 113 to 119, Chet 108, April 120

Silver Forward 185/8, Gold 118/8.

Karachi Cotton Market

(From Our Correspondent.)
KARACHI, March 1.

Cotton Ready Sind NT 91/8, Punjab 289, F 95/8, Four F 85/8, New Crop NT roller ready delivery 91 to 92, Sawgn 96 to 97. Market steadier on account of good demand.

Yesterday's business totalled about 1396 bales, Arrivals from upcountry 6794 bales, Exports totalled 5909 bales.

Cottonseed NT Ready 7/12, Do. New Crop 8/12, Dessi 11/10, Rapeseed 160. Market quiet but steady with moderate demand.

Yesterday's from upcountry 4010 mds., Exports totalled 6200 bags, Which were for Bedibunder, Porbunder Mandvi.

Gold Tejabi 108/8, Sovereigns 69, Silver Coins 127. Market dull and featureless.

Stock Exchange quotations unchanged.

Saurashtra Market Quotations

(From Our Correspondent.)
RAJKOT, March 1.

Rajkot Silver Fagan 189/9/0, Rajkot Sugar Chaitra 91/6, Rajkot Arunda May 136 2/0, Jamnagar Silver Fagan 184/5/0, Jamnagar Aranda May 135/14/0, Wadhwan Cotton Jeth 28/4/0 Wadhwan Sugar Vaishak 16/2/0.

Protection Of Goods From Tropical Ravages

LONDON (By Cable).

Blocks of modern flats are to be built shortly in Nigeria to accommodate scientists of the British Ministry of Supply who, assisted by 200 Africans are conducting research to make equipment and export goods of all kinds resistant to the ravages of tropical weather, insects and fungi.

This work in Nigeria will have undoubted repercussions in all parts of the world where great heat and humidity cause goods to have a shorter life than they otherwise would have.

The scientists of the Ministry's Tropical Testing Establishment have been housed in shakedowns with grass roofs since the war, and the new buildings, specially proofed against insects, are to take their place. The T.T.E., which has a town headquarters and jungle exposure sites, was set up in Nigeria because that country offers a complete range of tropical climatic conditions.

The Establishment is testing many materials in the jungle and its laboratories, including building materials plastics, metals, optical, electrical and radio equipment and textiles.

Already the work is paying dividends in Britain's export market, as cars radios, furniture and furnishings now resist tropical conditions better as it is work that will make life more pleasant for a great many people in hot climates.—(London Press Service).

MADRAS SHARE MARKET

Quiet But Steady Trend

MADRAS, March 1 (API): Quiet but steady condition prevailed on the Madras Market today in spite of weaker advices from outside markets. Banks shares remained practically unchanged with Travancore banks going through at Rs. 17/8. Sellers predominated in the planting group Blue Mountains going through at Rs. 2/6/6. Amongst textiles Buckinghams noted a deal at Rs. 163 whilst other shares remained unchanged.

In the Miscellaneous section India cements were lower at Rs. 12/4. The market closed quiet.

Following are closing quotations on the Madras Stock Exchange:

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Three per cent Paper 98/8, Three per cent Government of India 1986 90/1, Three per cent Government of India 1953/55 101/10, Three per cent Government of Madras, 1960 100/1.

BANKS: Travancore 17/6.

SUGARS AND BREWERIES: Deccan 17, Travancore 8/8.

PLANTINGS: Balmadies 1/4, Cochin Malabar 4/4, Chembra 4/10, Midland 5/6, Devashola 18/2, Ouchterlony 5/12, Periakarammalai 22, Pullangode 1, Thirumbadi 2/3/6, T. R. and T. Co. 5/9, Vaikundam 7/2, Waterfall 2/9.

TEXTILES: Buckingham 153, Ditto Pref. 192, Cambodia 9/1, Coimbatore C. M. 111/8, Lakshmi 63/8, Madura 43/8, Mettur 304/8 Mysore Spun 6/1/6, Radhakrishna 137, Rajalakshmi 56/9, Tanga Vilas 45/8, Trav Rayons 4/1, Trichinopoly 11/2.

MISCELLANEOUS: Andhra Cement 64, F. A. C. T. 4/14, India Cement 12/4, Mettur Chem. 7/8.—(A. P. I.).

Visitors To Industries Fair Assured Of Accommodation

LONDON, (By Cable).

Visitors to the British Industries Fair, which is being held from May 2 to May 13 in London and Birmingham should have no difficulty in booking hotel accommodation if they reserve their rooms at once through the ordinary booking agencies.

The normal booking facilities, in the visitor's own town, should be adequate but, in an emergency, the U.K. Government's consular officers or trade commissioners will do their best to help—even, in extreme cases, to the extent of telegraphing to London for inquiries to be made.

Passport visas can be obtained free of charge, in those countries where a charge is normally made, on application to the nearest U.K. consular office. The visa will be valid for three months, and the concession will be granted for the passports of the visitor's wife, and children under 18.

Those who want petrol for their car should ask their motoring association to arrange with one of the U.K. associations to have issued to them, when they disembark, an international circulation permit and an allowance of petrol rationing coupons. The Reception Branch of the Board of Trade will pass on applications for supplementary coupons.—(London Press Service.)

Record Prices Paid For British Livestock

LONDON (By Cable).

So high is the reputation of British livestock among overseas buyers that record prices are being paid for champion animals reared in Britain. This has been revealed by the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Harold Wilson.

In 1938 Britain exported 888 head of cattle for breeding. In 1948 the number was 2,002, valued at £500,000 (Rs. 66.66 lakhs). Between the same years sheep exported from Britain increased from 1,487 to 2,944. There is also a substantial export trade in thoroughbred horses. Some 900 pedigree horses, valued at nearly £1,000 000 (Rs. 1.33 crores), were exported in 1948.

Mr. Wilson also referred to a new publication issued for the information of overseas buyers. Entitled "Britain Can Breed It", this volume contains an impartial survey of various breeds of British cattle, sheep, pigs and horses, with an assessment of the main characteristics of each breed. It is illustrated with striking pictures of outstanding representatives of each breed and also includes a list of British Breed Societies. This voume is offered without any charge to overseas breeders and others interested in British Breed Societies. This volume is

World Fruit Production Continues To Expand

LONDON, (By Cable).

Most kinds of fruit throughout the world are being produced in bigger quantities than ever before. This is revealed in the statistics of production and trade just issued by the British Commonwealth Economic Committee. They show that war scarcely checked the upward trend in world fruit production.

Britain is the world's chief fruit importing country and Canada has now also become a substantial importer. During 1947 the Commonwealth imported 650,000 tons of various kinds of fruit, which is 100,000 tons more than the pre-war average.

Exports from producer nations are not yet up to the pre-war figures. Shipping space and transport shortages account in some measure for the drop in the volume handled as compared with increased production. People in producing countries are also eating more fruit than before the war. This leaves less for overseas markets.

Britain is growing more apples than before the war and has almost doubled the yearly crops. Between 1934 and 1938 the annual yield averaged 280,000 tons. Between 1944 and 1947 this expanded to 480,000 tons. Consumption of apples in Britain during 1947 was assessed at 78 lb. a head.—(London Press Service.)

Mangalore Market

MANGLORE, Feb. 27.

Navi Supary Vachras 99/101, Moti Supary Navi 95/97, Chalu 93/95, Malabando 95, Chholfan Vachras 115/125, Moti 110/115, Chalu Vachras 111, Pepper 50, Shegekai 6/6, Rampathry 16/8, Vetsol 30/36, Coffee 158/210, Cardamoms 160/175, Arita 7/8 8, Copra 485, Haldhar Moodani 275, Tiles 125, Mobia 350, Supari Padcha 91, Supari Fator 85, Cashewkernels 165, Katha Peda 825, Nuxvomica 55/60, Sindrikathadevai 140, Nagkesar 21.

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A Landmark In India's Social History'

SUPPORT IN PARLIAMENT FOR HINDU CODE BILL

Gadgil Defends Institution Of Divorce Clause

NEW DELHI, MARCH 1 (A.P.I.): THE END OF THE GENERAL DISCUSSION ON THE CONTROVERSIAL HINDU CODE BILL WAS NO NEARER TODAY. THE FOURTH DAY OF THE DEBATE. THIRTY-FIVE SPEAKERS ARE STILL WAITING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ON THE FIRST READING. THE DEBATE MAY BE RESUMED ON MARCH 24.

THE HOUSE WILL NOT MEET TOMORROW IN ORDER TO ENABLE MEMBERS TO STUDY THE GENERAL BUDGET, DEBATE ON WHICH WILL OPEN ON THURSDAY, MARCH 23.

NECESSITY FOR CODIFICATION

Parliament today continued consideration of the Hindu Code Bill.

Mrs. Durgabai, welcoming the bill as a "great landmark" in the social history of India, said that most of the provisions of the Code were of a permissible, or enabling, nature." No compulsion or obligation is imposed on the orthodox. Their only effect is to give the growing and claimant body of Hindus, men and women, the liberty to live a life which they wish to lead without in any way affecting or infringing the freedom of those who prefer to adhere to the old ways."

Referring to the criticism that there was no need to codify the Hindu law at all and that its codification tended to make revolutionary changes which would destroy the law laid down by the 'Smritis' and 'Dharma', Mrs. Durgabai said that almost all the principles of Hindu Law had become settled and reached a stage when an attempt to set down its principles in the form of a simple and easily understood code was necessary. The law, as it existed at present, was rigid without being certain, and there was universal dissatisfaction with it.

A unified law would prove to be a boon to Hindu society as it would save considerable time of law students and lawyers and judges. The ordinary citizen would be able to find in the Code the whole basis of his rights, privileges and obligations.

Referring to the objections raised against giving the right of inheritance to daughters, Mrs. Durgabai asked why there should be so much "uproar against this innocuous provision" which aimed at giving nothing more than a share of the property to the daughter who was of the same flesh and blood.

Referring to the 'compromise formula' that the daughter, instead of coming in for a share in her father's property might as well take a share in her husband's property, Mrs. Durgabai said no compromise on the issue would be acceptable to women. It was a question of equity of sexes.

A TESTING TIME

She said if monogamy was not enforced, Hindu women might become Christians to secure the benefits of monogamy.

When the eyes of the whole world were on new India emerging out of her slavery, it would be a great misfortune if they failed to enact the Hindu Code which would do away with disabilities based on caste or sex.

No thoughtful observer of the present conditions and trends in Hindu society could fail to be impressed by the need for altering the law and make it fit the new pattern of Hindu society. "This is a testing time for us and I hope this House will not be found wanting or halting."

Mr. Lakshmi Kanta Maitra, in a speech loudly cheered and frequently interrupted, opposed the provisions of the Code.

Mr. Maitra said that if they were true to the directive principle and meant to act, why did they bring the Hindu Code now? Why should they not have a universal civil code?

Was it not because they could not face the Sikh Christians and Parsis, leave alone the Muslim community whom they would not venture to touch?

He felt that either there was no sincerity in the Directive, Principles which the Constituent Assembly had adopted that they should provide a uniform civil code, or they were not keen on the present bill.

Mr. Maitra held that there was no real necessity for the codification of Hindu Law because the Hindu Law was well settled and it had been holding the field hundreds of years.

Before rising for lunch, the Deputy Speaker, Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar, said that 37 members wished to speak on the Bill and he would request everyone to be as brief as possible.

Pandit Maitra: "I am not filibustering, but this bill is of such a great importance that it would be highly unfair to the House if it is not fully discussed. I hope that closure, if moved, will not be accepted. Legislation of this importance cannot be closed by whipping." (Cheers).

DIVORCE REPUGNANT

The institution of divorce, he said, was "absolutely repugnant" to the Hindu conception of marriage. So far as he knew, divorce in no country had promoted the well being of the community.

He justified the exclusion of the married daughter from a share in the father's property and said that according to Hindu custom, a girl married to another family became incorporated with that family. In Kalidasa's Shakuntala, a daughter was regarded as a sacred deposit to be returned to the rightful owner, her husband.

'NO MORAL COMPETENCY'

Pandit Maitra said the Legislature was not competent to undertake such a legislation as the Hindu Code. Even if legally it was capable, he felt it had no moral competency. Dr. Rajendra Prasad, "the uncrowned monarch of Bihar and undisputedly one of the leaders of India", who knew Bengal also very well, had said so in unmistakable terms.

Winding up his two hour speech, Pandit Maitra said he would oppose the bill at every stage because he thought it was an unwarranted measure. There had been no demand in the country for such a legislation. Social legislation could not be brought about by pressure from top. The proposed laws of inheritance, marriage and divorce would create great complications throughout the country. They might have marriage registers, director-generals of marriages and even a Ministry of Marriages and so on (Laughter).

GADGIL'S DEFENCE

Speaking in support of the Bill, Mr. N. V. Gadgil, Minister for Works, Mines and Power, agreed with Mr. Maitra that in matters of social reform—the Legislature must go slow, but contended that the Bill had proceeded so slowly that some of them felt that it was dead slow.

Replying to the speeches questioning the competency of the House to pass a legislation of such character, Mr. Gadgil said: "Every time a social reform bill was before the House the same objection was raised. If this House is competent to pass the constitution for a free India, I fail to understand why it is not competent to pass a legislation of this kind (Applause). He said that every member owed a duty to his own conscience and the constituency, and duty was higher than respect for any one person.

"The question before the House", remarked Mr. Gadgil, "is whether the time has come for the codification of Hindu Law in respect of inheritance, marriage and adoption. There is a clear case established that there must be some uniformity and some definiteness about varied and differing interpretations of laws. If that is not done, the society will suffer. The time is, therefore, opportune when all sorts of interpretations are put an end to."

Mr. Gadgil said that they should consider the question without passion or prejudice. The Bill was a permissive measure excepting the case of inheritence. The controversy centred round the provisions regarding marriage and coparcenary. So far as marriage was concerned, there was nothing revolutionary in the Bill nor was the Bill inconsistent with the culture of the Hindu society. Speaking for his own province, 95 per cent had already some sort of divorce as a matter of custom. Only three per cent of the upper classes were opposed to it. But at the same time marriage should not be considered a lifelong tie. If today they were providing some way out in order to make the people who were not really happy in marriage to get out, they were only doing their social duty.

A PLANNED REVOLUTION

Continuing Mr. Gadgil said that the Hindu Society had been flexible and it had absorbed various cultures and lived through ages successfully, because those who guided the affairs of the society had suggested changes in time. An attempt to bring the law in line with public opinion was now being made so that it might consolidate the public opinion. They had to adjust public opinion with the law of the land. Concluding, he said: "Although I agree it is a revolutionary measure, it is a planned revolution and, therefore, it is going to be a success". (Loud Cheers).

Mr. Naziruddin Ahmad, speaking on his motion for circulation of the Bill, said that after the decision to introduce joint electorate, no one could deny the right of a Muslim to think as a large part of the Hindus thought. After all, the Muslims in India had to live with the Hindus. In West Bengal, Hindus formed eighty per cent of the population and he found that among them there was very serious opposition to the Bill. That was why he had decided to speak on their behalf.

Mr. Naziruddin was still speaking when the House adjourned till Thursday.

BILL TO REPEAL NON-EFFECTIVE ACTS

The law Minister, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, earlier introduced in Parliament today a bill to repeal certain acts and ordinances which had ceased to be effective and to correct small errors detected in certain other acts.

The Commerce Minister, Mr. K. C. Neogy, presented to Parliament the report of the Select Committees on the Bill to regulate the profession of accountants and the Bill to provide for the development of the tea industry.

DISPERSAL OF OFFICES FROM DELHI

The question of dispersing some of the Central Government offices from Delhi has been engaging the attention of Government for some time past, and a sub-Committee of the Cabinet has been appointed to look into the whole question, said Mr. N. V. Gadgil, Minister for Works, Mines and Power replying to Mr. R. K. Sidhwa in Parliament today.

He said that it was proposed to locate three offices under the Ministry of Works, Mines and Power at Nasik for which acquisition of land and building construction had been decided upon. As regards move of other offices, the matter was still under consideration.

Replying to a supplementary question by Shrimati Durgabai the Minister said that the question of shifting the Federal Court to Allahabad or its final location was not yet decided.

Mr. Deesmukh—Is it a fact that there is a proposal to have another capital near Nasik? Mr. Gadgil—no.

NO SECOND CAPITAL FOR INDIA

Answering a number of supplementaries as to whether it had been finally decided that Delhi would be the Capital of India, Mr. Gadgil said: "There is no question of a final decision. It simply continues to be".

Mr. Thirumal Rao asked whether in view of the posibility of having a second capital somewhere in Central India, was it advisable to spend such huge sums of money on the development of Delhi? Mr. Gadgil replied there was no truth in the suggestion of a second capital. The view of the Government of India was that Delhi should continue to be the capital.

GREATER TRADE RELATIONS WITH ETHIOPIA

Dr. B. V. Keskar, Deputy Minister in charge of External Affairs, said in Parliament today that the Indian Goodwill Mission to Ethiopia, headed by Sardar Sant Singh, had succeeded very considerably in bringing forward proposals by which it was hoped to have greater trade relations with Ethiopia.

SCHEMES FOR RURAL ELECTRIFICATION

The Government of India would do everything in its power to aid the Provincial Governments in undertaking schemes for rural electrification, Mr. N. V. Gadgil, Minister for Works, Mines and Power, said in reply to Pandit Mukunt Beharilal Bhargava in Parliament today.

Mr. Gadgil added that several Provincial Governments had already initiated investigations rural electrification.

PLAN FOR DEVELOPMENT OF ASSAM HILL TRACTS

NEW DELHI, Feb. 1 (API): A five-year plan for the development of the hill tracts of Assam on the North-East frontier had been recently sanctioned by the Central Government, the Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, Dr. B. V. Keskar, told Mr. Kuladhar Chaliha in Parliament today. Dr. Keskar added that the scheme would be implemented immediately.

ELECTRIC CIRCULAR RAILWAY FOR DELHI

NEW DELHI, March 1 (API): The plan for development of Greater Delhi includes the installation of an electric circular railway estimated to cost Rupees 10.3 crores. The railway will comprise 26 miles of surface track and two and half miles of underground track.

The Minister for Works, Mines and Power, Mr. N. V. Gadgil, gave this information in reply to a question by Mr. Mukunt Beharilal Bharagava in Parliament today.

It was proposed to develop an area of sixteen hundred acres between Kitchner Road and Willingdon aeredrome towards the south-west of New Delhi as a Diplomatic Colony. This area would consist of one hundred plots of two acres each and its development was estimated to cost Rs. 62,72,000.

CENTRAL BUDGET CAPITALISTIC

Ashok Mehta's Comment

Commenting upon the Budget proposals of the Government of India, Asoka Mehta, General Secretary of the Hind Mazdoor Sabha in the course of a statement to the press, says: "The Budget proposals of the Government of India are cast in pro-capitalist moulds. They are framed on the fundamental assumption that only capitalist initiative and enteprise can find a way out of the economic crisis. Labour repudiates that assumption as not only fallacious but also dangerous. The stubborn facts of our economic life belie the facile assumption.

"That the Budget tears the veil from the Socialistic pretentions of the Congress cannot be a matter of satisfaction because so long as these proposals remain and the policy they adumbrate cnotinues the nation faces new perils. The Budget is another proof of the fact that in the crisis that envelopes us today only organised labour has the courage and wisdom to essay the needed solution.

"UPSET POPULAR ESTIMATES"

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, March 1.

Budget seems to have upset popular estibates and financial experts describe budget as a gross under-estimation of revenue and over-estimation of expenditure showing a rigid conservative outlook while popular circles feel a bold declaration of policy would definitely have resulted in a surplus budget.

CONSTRUCTION OF 'DEATH RAILWAY'

Relief To Dependents Of Indian Labourers Under Consideration

NEW DELHI, March 1 (API): The Government of India had before them, since 1946, the question of giving relief to dependents of Indian labourers who were forcibly drafted by the Japanese for the construction of the Moulmein-Bangkok Railway—commonly known as the (death Railway'— and who had died.

The Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, Dr. B. V. Keskar, said in a written reply to Prof Ranga in Parliament today that the Malayan Government had set apart a sum of one and half million Dollars for the purpose Help from other funds was also given. A large number of the workers had died of disease and malnutrition during the war. A considerable number of them were South Indians.

CITY WEDDING RECEPTION



The Bride and Bridegroom with H. E.the Governor. At the Extreme right is Mr. Ramadeo A. Podar.

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A grand Reception was held today evening at the Cricket Club of India ground to celebrate the wedding of Mr. Ganeshnarayan Podar, nephev of Mr. Ramdeo A. Podar, with Saraj Kumari, daughter of Raja Radharamanji of Pilibhit (U.P.) which was attended by the elite of Bombay, including H.E. the Governor of Bombay, Raja Sir Maharaj Singh, the Prime Minister Mr. B. G. Kher, the Home Ministea, Mr. Morarji Desai and other Ministers of the Bombay Cabinet, the Mayor Dr. M. U Mascarenhas, Sir Purshotamdas Thakurdas and other leading citizens and business and industrial magnates of Bombay.

Ghulam Mohammad Presents Surplus Budget

SALESTAX ON FOODGRAINS, VEGETABLES AND MILK REMITTED

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Finance Minister said the implementation of the Pay Commission's recommendations will cost the Government four crores, while the concessions given as relief to poor and middle class amount to two crores and twenty lakhs.

Announcing tax relief for the lower and middle class the Finance Minister said salestax on essential foodgrains, fresh vegetables and milk had been remitted.

The Taxable Minimum for income had been raised from two thousand five hundred to rupees three thousand. The duty on kerosene oil had been reduced from four annas to three annas per gallon. In order to provide further encouragement to new industries it was proposed to reduce the import duty on machinery from ten per cent to five per cent.

It has also been decided to reduce the export duty on hides and skins from ten to five per cent since it had been represented that the existing duty had been hampering export trade.

The Finance Minister said that the Pay Commission had submitted its report in respect of servants under the control of Central Government.

The Government appreciated the urgency to give relief to low paid servants. In respect of lower categories of Government srevants, the Government had decided to improve the pay scales recommended by the pay commission. The minimum remuneration payable to the lowest category of Government servants will be rupees fiftyfive per month as against rupees fiftytwo proposed by the commission and as against the present rate of rupees forty and annas twelve which include interim relief.

In Eastern Pakistan those employees would receive in addition an extra allowance to compensate them for the higher cost of living there. There would be substantial improvement in the higher categories of non-gazetted staff.

Government had also accepted the rates of living allowance as recommended by the commission. In certain cases where accommodation problem was difficult Goverament had agreed to the grant of house rent and conveyance allowance for those drawing below a certain minimum. Government had decided to give effect to the new scales of allowance as from first January 1949.

The Finance Minister added that in view of certain difficulties in the working of grainshop facilities, it had been decided to abolish them with effect from April first and to give railway employees from that date pay and rates of cost of living allowance as for other Government servants.

It has been decided to secure three thousand quarters for non-gazetted staff and eighty flats for the gazetted staff in Karachi at a total of 1.30 crores. A sum of 0.84 lakhs has been set apart for the housing of Central Government servants in East Bengal.

As regards the levy of excise duty on raw jute the Finance Minister said it was not intended to levy the excise duty on jute exported to countries which did not discriminate against Pakistan. He said that Pakistan would gladly continue the export of jute to India free of excise duty provided the Government of India agreed to show to Pakistan the same favourable treatment as they gave to other countries.

A sum of five lakhs has been provided for the uplift of schedule castes. A sum of rupees ten lakhs has been provided for the welfare of the tribal people. Provision has also been made in the budget for the replacement of existing worn out locomotives and rollingstock and construction of additional railway lines in Eastern and Western Pakistan and rupees eleven lakhs for developing the port of Chittagong.

Pakistan To Abolish Imperial Preference

PAKISTAN is not considering the abolition of imperial preference "in the near future", Mr. Ghulam Mohammed, the Dominion Finance Minister, said here today.

He told a press conference "when the time comes for a review of the agreement we shall decide what will be in the best interests of the country." Later he said that the matter would probably be reviewed in 1950.

Answering a question, he declined to say whether Pakistan was getting the worse of the bargain over imperial preference, but challenged his questioner to prove that Pakistan was worse off for it.

Expressing confidence in Pakistan's financial and economic stability, Mr. Ghulam Mohammed said: "those who thought Pakistan could not stand on her own legs have been proved wrong."

Australian Premier Holds Back Comment On Chinese Situation

CANBERRA, March 1 (PTI-Reuter): Mr. Joseph Chifley Australian Prime Minister told Parliament here today that he could make a statement on the present situation in China but "it would not be helpful either to the present or past Governments of China while the parties were negotiating for a provisional Government during the present time."

Mr. Chifley was replying to the question whether the Australian Government regarded Communist activity in Asia as of prime importance to British interests in the Indian and Pacific oceans and ultimately to the security of Australia.

India To Have Diplomatic Ties With Chile

NEW DELHI, March 1 (API): In order to promote and strengthen the friendly relations already existing between their two peoples, the Government of India and the Government of the Republic of Chile have agreed to establish diplomatic relations at Legation level, says a 'communique' issued by the Ministry of External Affairs and Commonwealth Relations.

Concern Over Central Budget

Kasturbhai Lalbhai's Comment

AHMEDABAD, March 1 (A.P.I.): "The Central Budget will be viewed with concern by any practical person" declared Mr. Kasturbhai Lalbhai, a millowner of Ahmedabad, in an interview today. "The so-called reliefs to industries are not likely to assist in the industriallisation of the country or two reasons.

"There is little or no saving either with the middle class or the rich, and once an industry is established the Government is pursuing a policy of milching it heavily.

"Another disturbing feature of the budget is that in these days of diminishing purchasing power, the Governments, both Central and Provincial, do not hesitate to add heavy and fresh burdens on consumer goods. They are also heavily taxing the monopolies of the Government, namely, railways, posts and telegraphs and petrol. All these measures are great impediments both in industrialisation and national well-being.

"The Finance Minister hopes to raise a loan of eighty-five crores. I doubt whether he will be able to secure half that amount" he added.

"INDUSTRIALIST BUDGET"

AHMEDABAD, March 1:

First reaction of the Finance Minister's budget estimates in Ahmedabad, the industrial city, was that the budget gives no relief to poor men or the middle-class people. A prominent Congressman and MLA said it cannot be said to be a poor man's budget. Government has tried to please the industrialists and rich people by giving them relief in the income-tax and Super tax.

Prof. Saurendra Desai of the Commerce College criticized the budget as an industrialist budget". New taxations on cloth matches nut and sugar will be burdensome to the poor people, industrial circles and millowners though they welcome it have criticized the new duty of 6 1/4 p.c. on Superfine and duty on medium and coarse cloth.

APT TO PUSH UP COST OF LIVING

BOMBAY, March 1, (API): Mr. Ramdeo A. Podar, President of the Marwari Chamber of Commerce, commenting on the Central Government's Budget proposals said that they had not gone far enough to encourage savings and investment and reduce the cost of living. He added that the measures of fresh indirect taxes were apt to result in pushing up the cost of living, notwithstanding the relief offered by way of reduction in income-tax and lowering of the limit of supertax

Mr. Podar welcomed the abolition of the capital grains tax but thought that there would not be much satisfaction in the rise in the portage rates and new imports on essential articles.

Mr. C. C. Javeri, President of the All-India Exporters' Association, in a statement on the budget proposals, deplored the retention of the export duty on cotton textiles but appreciated the abolition of export duties on oils and oil-seeds.

"The striking feature of the Government's fiscal policy seems to be to put clogs in the wheel of export drive in various forms and at various stages," Mr. Javeri added.

TRAVANCORE MEMORANDUM FOR GOVERNMENT

Acquainting With Political And Constitutional Position

TRIVANDRUM, March 1, (A.P.I.): A memorandum on the political conditions and constitutional position of Travancore will be submitted shortly to the Government by the recently formed twenty-one member "merger" Committee of the Trivandrum Division Congress, an organisation not recognised by the Kerala Provincial Congress Committee.

The "merger" Committee, meeting yesterday at the city Congress office, appointed a Sub-Committee to draft the memorandum.

The meeting resolved to hold a conference of Travancore Congressmen who are on the rolls of the Indian National Congress and a political convention of public men of Travancore before March 31.

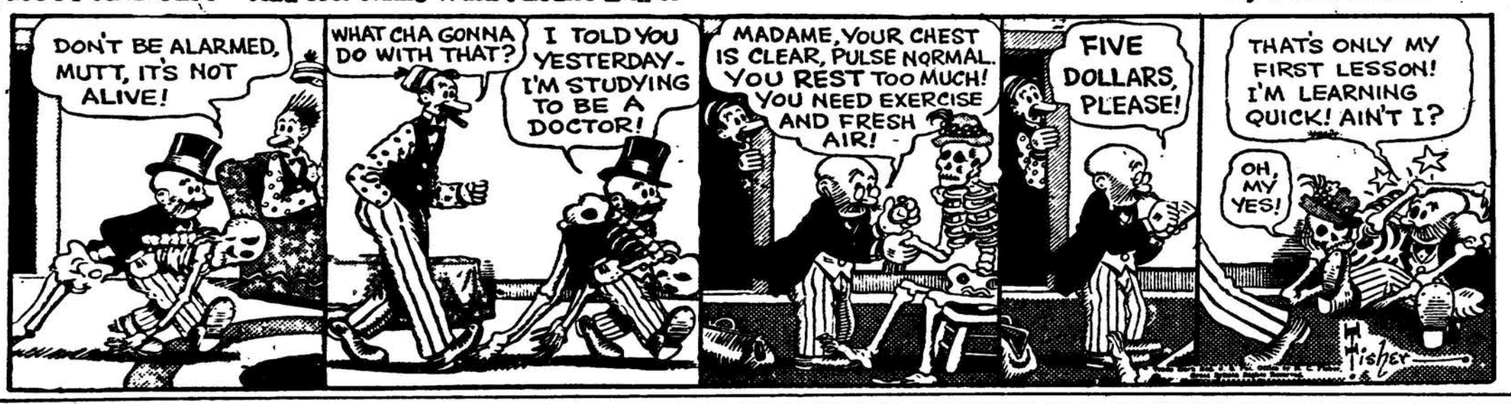
Merger Of Travancore Suggested

TRIVANDRUM, Feb. 28, (A.P.I.): Mr. P. K. Kunru, President of the Travancore State Muslim League, has telegraphed to the Deputy Prime Minister, Sardar Patel, and the adviser to the States Ministry, Mr. V. P. Menon, suggesting that Travancore be merged into Madras Province as early as possible.

RS. 28,000 FOR GANDHI FUND

NAGPUR, March 1. (API): A purse of Rs. 28,000 for the Gandhi memorial Fund was presented to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's Deputy Prime Minister, at the Nagpur airport this morning before he left for New Delhi. The present was made by Mr. P. C. Saksena, Inspector-General of Police, C.P. and Berar, after a guard of honour presented to the Deputy Prime Minister by the C. P. police.

MUTT AND JEFF—And Her Name Wasn't Louise Eith er — By BUD FISHER



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